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## BLACK ITALIAN TROOPS MARCH INTO MOROCCO

### Reported Garrisoning Spanish Towns

### FRANCE INDIGNANT AT HALTING OF VESSEL

Casablanca, Mar. 31.

It is reported that hundreds of knife-carrying Italian black colonial troops, believed to be Somalilanders, have arrived in Spanish Morocco, wearing Italian uniforms and led by Italian officers. They are at present garrisoned at Bantaza and other towns.

It is also believed that Italian technical experts, aviators and engineers have replaced the Germans in Spanish Morocco, the latter being transferred, without explanation, to Malaga and Algeiras.—United Press.

**FRANCE INDIGNANT**

Bayonne, Mar. 31.

The French freighter Cap Falcon arrived here with a cargo of 500 tons of Algerian cereals and wine, and a story.

Her master reports that insurgents halted his vessel on Tuesday, when it was 15 miles off Santander, despite the fact that the steamer was flying the tri-colour of France. He said the insurgent patrol permitted him to continue after he had protested. But the incident has excited high indignation among regional marine authorities.—United Press.

**ITALIAN ATTITUDE**

Rome, Mar. 31.

Italy's attitude with regard to non-intervention in Spain was defined by Signor Dino Alfieri, Minister of Press Propaganda, today. He declared that the foreign press that since the beginning of the volunteers had been in force, Italy had vigorously defended its provisions.

He argued, therefore, that the statement that more Italian troops would be sent to Spain was unfounded.

Signor Alfieri emphasized that decisions reached by the London Non-Intervention Committee must be applicable on an equal basis. If other countries violated their pledge, and sent volunteers to Spain, then Italy would have to re-examine the situation.

The Minister pointed out that the reports of a big Italian defeat in Spain were exaggerated. The Italian losses in killed, wounded and prisoners on the Guadalupe front amounted only to a few hundred men.—Reuter.

**FRANCE SENDS WARNING**

Paris, Mar. 31.

M. Yvon Delbos, the French foreign Minister, has informed the Council of Ministers that strict instructions have been given to French shipping, and that the French Government like the British, has seriously warned both parties in the Spanish civil war to abstain from all measures contrary to maritime law. He added that negotiations would only be resumed aiming at an agreement to recall all volunteers from Spain, and said that a satisfactory solution might be hoped for, certain powers which had previously been reluctant to discuss the question were now conciliatory.—Reuter.

**POSTING OBSERVERS**

London, Mar. 31.

The Board of Administration for a control scheme under the Non-Intervention Agreement, which has been meeting during Easter, held a meeting today. The Board is based upon technical work, such as the posting of observers at different points and roadblocks for sea observation along frontiers for land observation.

It is expected the scheme will come to full operation towards the end of next week.—British Wireless.

**INDIA RAISES SILK DUTY**

New Delhi, Mar. 31.

The import duty on artificial silk and art silk mixture fabrics has been increased by approximately 50 per cent from 10 to 15 per cent.

The duty on British manufacture in all other cases has been excluded from the increased duty.—Reuter.

**YOUNG WOMAN ATTEMPTS TO CUT OFF OWN HEAD**

A well dressed and good looking young Chinese girl chose decapitation as the method in an attempt to commit suicide during the early hours of this morning.

She has since been identified as Wong Yuet-ye, aged 17. Her condition is serious and she is not expected to live.

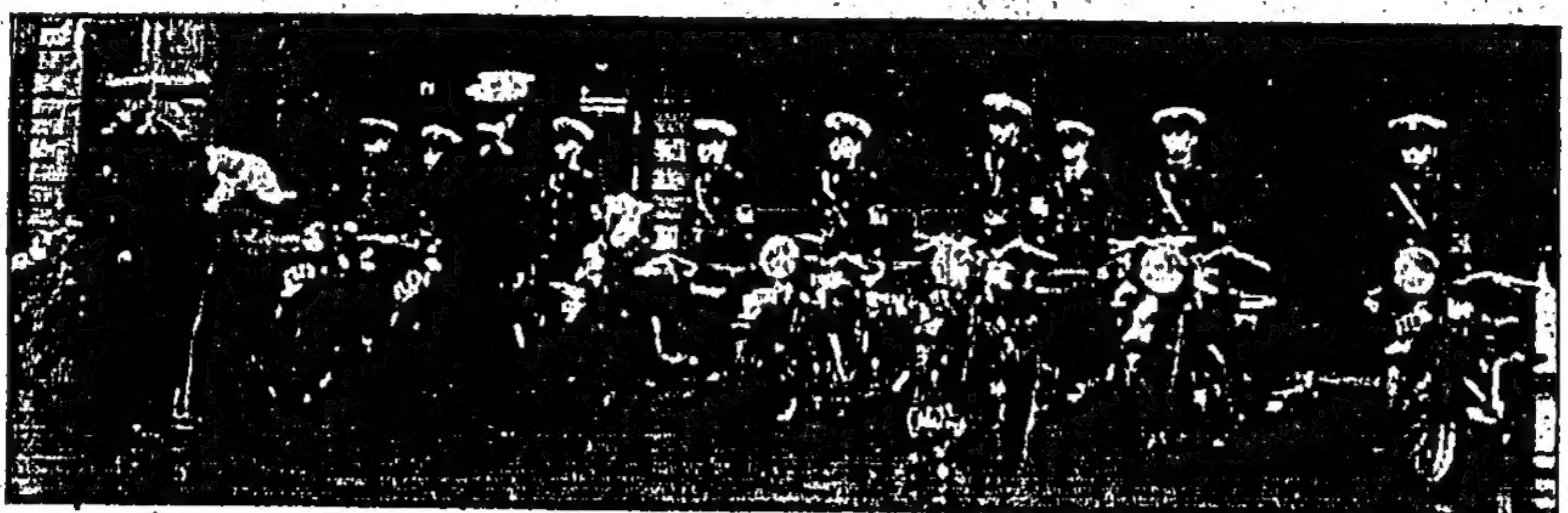
A razor blade was used as the instrument. The girl made repeated slashes at her neck with the instrument, miraculously missing the jugular vein, and as miraculously continuing to slash even after she appeared to lose consciousness. The blade had to be forcibly taken away from her.

When she was taken to the Government Civil Hospital her neck was terribly mutilated.

Neighbours state that the girl has been depressed for several weeks, and occasionally mentioned the possibility of decapitation as a means of committing suicide.

She has been suffering from violent headaches and periods of aberration, and it was probably during one of these that she made the terrible attempt on her own life.

## POLICE RESERVE INSPECTION



Above, the Flying Squad drawn up at the annual inspection of the Police Reserve last evening, at which a warm tribute was paid to the Colony's volunteer policemen by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, who is seen on left taking the salute. (Photo: King's Studio).



Chief Engineer To British Army In China Named

Colonel G. C. Cowland has been appointed Chief Engineer to the British Troops in China. He will assume his appointment shortly.—Reuter.

**GERMANY ADVISES BRITAIN**

Overseas Empire Needs More Population

London, Mar. 31.

Commenting on the question of Colonies, a German paper declares that the British Dominions and Colonies are at present sparsely populated, and Britain is unable to send men to increase the population overseas.

The paper adds that if Britain wants the Dominions to recover economically, she will have to find men to fill the vast empty spaces from other than people of her own blood.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

**FEWER BRITISH IOBLESS**

Encouraging figures Published At Home

London, Mar. 31.

There were still 1,600,000 registered unemployed persons in Britain on March 15, but this is 27,000 fewer than the month earlier, and 280,000 fewer than in March of last year.—Reuter Special.

**OTHER FIGURES**

London, Mar. 31.

The Ministry of Labour estimates on March 15 the number of insured persons in employment in Great Britain, exclusive of persons within the agricultural scheme, was approximately 11,242,000. This was 55,000 more than the month before and 853,000 more than the year before.

Adverse weather conditions on the day affected the returns, especially in Northern England and Scotland, but nevertheless employment showed an improvement over the previous month in most of the principal industries.

At the same time the number of registered unemployed totalled 1,601,201, comprising 1,359,556 wholly unemployed, 107,677 temporarily off, and 13,968 normally in casual employment.

The total of unemployed on March 15, despite additional registration, was 20,644 less than February 22 and 280,330 less than on March 23, 1936.—British Wireless.

**DANISH CLUB OPENING**

London, Mar. 31.

The Danish Prime Minister is expected in London next Tuesday for the opening of the reconstructed premises of the Danish Club in London. He will lunch with the Foreign Secretary on the following day.—British Wireless.

## BRITISH BUDGET DEFICIT

Defence Expenses To Blame For Position

LARGE DEBT REDUCTION

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Mar. 31.

Revenue returns for the last financial year, which ended to-day, show a Budget deficit of approximately £5,500,000.

Total realised revenue amounted to £707,288,000 and expenditure £302,688,000, but the latter figure includes £13,127,000 for redemption of debt, so that the current revenue for the year exceeded expenditure by £7,530,000.

Expenditure on defence amounted to approximately £188,000,000, an increase of £7,821,000, compared with the Budget estimate and just over £40,000,000 more than the expenditure in the previous financial year. It is understood that the increase reflects the general acceleration of the defence programme since the Budget was framed, and more than accounts for the deficit at the end of the financial year.

The floating debt now stands at £608,130,000, compared with £782,170,000 a year ago.—Reuter Special.

## His Majesty To Speak To India People

Fervently Prays For Benefits To All

OPPOSITIONS TO CONSTITUTION

London, Mar. 31.

A message from His Majesty the King will be delivered to his subjects in India to-morrow on the occasion of the inauguration of provincial autonomy.

His Majesty will assure his Indian Empire that his thoughts and good wishes are with his people there on this occasion.

"A new chapter is opening," he will say, "and it is my fervent hope and prayer that the opportunities now available to the country will be used wisely for the lasting benefit of all my Indian people."—Reuter.

**FORMS MINISTRY**

Putna, Mar. 31.

Mr. Mohammed Yunus, leader of the Moslem Independence Party, has formed a ministry in Behar, where the Congress Party refused the responsibility.—Reuter.

**PROCESSION BANNED**

Calcutta, Mar. 31.

The Government has forbidden the secretary of the Congress Party and five other prominent leaders of that group to organise a giant procession and demonstrations to-morrow against the new Indian Constitution. The procession has been declared illegal.

The Calcutta Corporation has decided to close all offices and schools in a similar protest.—Reuter.

**KING'S MESSAGE**

London, Apr. 1.

To-day is the appointed day for the Government of India Act eleven provinces to attain autonomy in the separation of British India and from India.

On this occasion, the King addressed messages both to India and Burma, in which His Majesty assures his subjects in those two countries of his interest in and good wishes for their continued welfare. In India he says, "a new chapter is opening and it is my fervent hope and prayer that the opportunities now available will be used wisely and generously for the lasting benefit of all my Indian people."

His Majesty expresses the hope and belief that Burma will find in her new Constitution an era of ever increasing happiness and prosperity. The King has also appointed as Governor of Burma, Sir Archibald Cochrane, K.C.M.G.

Provincial autonomy henceforth obtains over two-thirds of the total area of India and affects directly a total population of over 280,000,000. It involves the setting up of a Ministry in each of the eleven provinces responsible to the elected Legislature for a large and clearly defined sphere of Government in which the Central Government will have no say. Each provincial Governor must follow the advice of his Ministers, except in a small number of matters and in circumstances specially defined in the Act.

**VICEROY'S GIFT**

On the inauguration of the new Constitution in Burma, the Viceroy of India, Lord Linlithgow, has presented a silver vase to the Senate in Burma as marking its separation from India and as a token of his confident hope that "in the years to come Burma may have cause for thankfulness that the direction of her public affairs is founded on a Parliamentary system of government."

Another effect of the constitutional changes in India is the ending, after

## LOYAL SPANISH TROOPS PUNISH ENEMY

### Italians Driven From Villa Nueva Position

### ADVANCE CONTINUES ON GUADALAJARA FRONT

Madrid, Mar. 31.

A communique issued at mid-day reports that Government troops have captured several important strategic positions dominating the insurgent line near Saalices on the Guadalajara front, in a continuation of the advance in which Milario, north-west of Brihuega, was captured.

Several air squadrons collaborated in bombing the insurgents' rear.

From the Cordoba front it is learned that intense fighting is proceeding north-west of Pozoblanco. Late yesterday the Government forces captured Villa Nueva

junction, which was surrounded on three sides by infantrymen and subjected to an intense aerial bombardment. The defence of the position was conducted by Italian troops, many of whom were captured.

The Government claims that 340 lorries, bringing reinforcements and supplies, were either destroyed by aircraft or captured during the past three days' operations.

The new positions west of Pozoblanco give the Government troops a firmer grip on important centres, including the Almaden mercury mines. The insurgents have expelled 300 women from San Sebastian. They have gone into Government controlled territory by ship. The refugees report a food shortage in San Sebastian.—Reuter.

**WOMAN SPY SENTENCED**

Barcelona, Mar. 31.

The People's Tribunal to-day sentenced the 25-year-old dancer, known as Vera Voronich, a French subject, to 20 years' imprisonment on her conviction on a charge of espionage.—Reuter.

**BETTER GUNNERS**

Gibraltar, Mar. 31.

Part of the Spanish Government's fleet between Valencia and Alicante has been seen practicing gunfire, smoke-screens and other manoeuvres. There are clear indications that there are now expert gunners aboard the ships, which were lacking when they bombarded Algeiras a few months ago.

A Seville newspaper alleges that the Government squadron is now manned by Russian, American and French naval technicians.—Reuter.

## Frenchmen Racing For New Record

### Flew From Saigon To Allahabad In 20 Hrs.

Allahabad, March 31.

The noted French aviators, Pissavy and Cornet, who are racing from Saigon to Paris in search of a record for the distance, arrived here at 6.50 p.m. to-day. They are resuming their flight at midnight if conditions are favourable.

The two aviators flew from Saigon to Allahabad in just over 20 hours. They tried, it will be recalled, to establish a new record for the Paris-Tokyo flight, but owing to a series of misfortunes were so much delayed that they realised their task was hopeless and stopped at Saigon. There is a 400,000 franc prize for the first plane to break the Paris-Tokyo record.—Reuter.

nearly a hundred years, of the connection of Aden with the British Indian administration. Aden now becomes part of the Colonial Empire, but as the King states in a message sent to the Governor and Commander-in-Chief on the inauguration of the Colony, "the ties of commerce and personal association with India will remain."—British Wireless.

The following distinctions were obtained by students of the School of Accountancy and Commerce:—School of Accountancy and Commerce Students:—Associates: A. M. Bruga, J. V. Bruga, H. M. Britto, A. W. J. Brown, F. A. Gill, Lau Mung-loi, Elementary: A. H. Baker, K. K. Bau, D. W. Hy, K. S. Pannar, A. H. Pannar, The Kok Fo, Tui Tak-hoi, Vuong Sang, Wang Shul-hai, Preparatory: E. K. Abbas, A. Abdullah, Caroline Rozario, E. J. Heidler, Miss J. Lee, E. M. Marques, Mohinder Singh, P. Nguyen-Trung Canh, H. da Silva, R. Souza.

**H.K. Student Wins Honour**

In Institute Of Bookkeepers' Examination

The Hongkong Examination Supervisor has been notified by the Institute of Bookkeepers, Ltd., London, that the following students were successful in the December Examination:—School of Accountancy and Commerce Students:—Associates: A. M. Bruga, J. V. Bruga, H. M. Britto, A. W. J. Brown, F. A. Gill, Lau Mung-loi, Elementary: A. H. Baker, K. K. Bau, D. W. Hy, K. S. Pannar, A. H. Pannar, The Kok Fo, Tui Tak-hoi, Vuong Sang, Wang Shul-hai, Preparatory: E. K. Abbas, A. Abdullah, Caroline Rozario, E. J. Heidler, Miss J. Lee, E. M. Marques, Mohinder Singh, P. Nguyen-Trung Canh, H. da Silva, R. Souza.



# The SPRING BRIDE

By  
Victoria  
Chappelle

**HER GOWN**—In 1930, and very 1930, and a young woman who prides herself on being up to the minute. Or she can have a gown which moulds itself to her figure, a net which veils a slim satin slip; or a gown which "stands by itself," as her grandmother would say.

She can include several "highlights" of the season in her gown. The gown must be kept simple—for that is the fashion out of date. Sketched here is a suggestion.

In satin, with a skirt close to the hips, widening below, and with a full, inserted in front, this dress is full of interest. Sleeves—of gauged and ruffled net on the arm from wrist to elbow; the front—with tiny buttons down the double row of piping; the neck—with a double ruffle in net.

**HER HEADDRESS**—In reality, but not necessarily, a necessity. A tiny posy can be pinned on the front of the hair with the veil streaming out beneath it. Alternatively, she can wear a flat oval cap of flowers; or have blossoms closely massed on her head with a spray falling down her back over her veil.

Victor Stiebel dresses the bride in his new collection in thick crepe, dead-white, and gives her a head-dress composed of a plaited band of thick cords in front of which three marguerites of white raffia are posed. Beneath her chin is a spray of fresh white flowers.

And why not something different in veils? Instead of the usual tulle, lovely though it is, the bride might have a long wide veil in opaque dull-surfaced crepe to match her dress, catching it together beneath her chin with a posy of flowers.

**HER BRIDESMAIDS' FROCKS**—In taffeta, richly as they follow her along the aisle; in chiffon, floating gently round them; or in printed net, splashed with glamorous flowers. Full skirts are always best for the little girls, however slim and willowy the grown-up bridesmaids like to look. But for the latter, why not short shoulder veils beneath floral coronets placed on the top or slightly to the back of the head? Tie their bouquets on the top of tall gilded sticks, instead of letting them carry them. The children can wear floral bracelets.

**And Her Mother Wears**—a dignified ensemble with a small and pretty print or a one-colour crepe. If she has a fur cape she wants to wear, she needs no coat; otherwise, one of the new loose coats with interesting sleeves, and a dignified hat which sets off her profile and her hair should be her choice.



THESE two bridesmaids wear full skirted gowns of floral net in sweet pea shades and tulle caps.

IN crepe, printed with a small design, this outfit for the bride's mother includes an attractive gown with wide revers faced in a shade to match the print and a loose coat with full three-quarter sleeves, set into a cuff. Her hat has a becoming sweep of the brim.

## ANNE SELBY answers Your COOKERY QUESTIONS

**A RECIPE for Lady Cakes, please.**  
West Drayton. (Miss) C.

Sieve 4 oz. of flour with 3/4 oz. baking powder, rub in 2 oz. of lard add 2 teaspoonfuls of sugar and a sprinkle of currants, mix with enough water to make a stiff paste, cut into squares and bake in a hot oven.

**HOW are Cream Leaves made?**  
Ashford. (Mrs.) B.

Beat 3 eggs with 4 tablespoonfuls sugar, add 6 tablespoonfuls flour and the grated rind of a lemon. Beat with an egg beater until light, then drop teaspoonfuls of the mixture fairly far apart on a buttered baking sheet. Bake in a moderate oven for ten minutes, lift with a palette knife, and roll round a greased spoon handle. When cold fill with whipped cream.

**INGREDIENTS for Brandy Snaps, please.**  
Exeter. (Mrs.) C.

Warm 2oz. butter, add 2oz. each sugar, treacle, and flour mixed with half teaspoonful ground ginger. Drop spoonfuls on greased baking sheet, bake in fairly hot oven, and roll round greased handle of wooden spoon when slightly cooled.

**HOW can I make Devonshire Cream?**  
Mellisham. (Miss) S.

Put the milk in flat enamelled pan and leave for 24 hours. Put the pan at the side of the stove and heat slowly to 100 deg. which takes about an hour. When the cream begins to crinkle, leaving the sides of the pan and bubbling very slightly, take it off the fire and leave for another 12 hours. Then skim off the cream with a fish slice or saucer.

**CAN I have a recipe for Australian Jack?**  
Streatham. (Mrs.) C.

Melt 4oz. of butter with 4oz. of sugar, beat in 8oz. of rolled oats and press into shallow greased tin. Bake until golden brown—about 20 minutes. Leave in the tin until cold, then cut into fingers.

**IS Tangerine Curd simple to make?**  
Whitstable. (Mrs.) W.

Yes, just heat together in a double boiler 4oz. of butter, 6oz. caster sugar, the grated rinds and juice of 4 tangerines and stir until smooth, then add 2 beaten eggs and continue stirring until the mixture thickens.

**I SHOULD like a recipe for raspberry sauce for Pêche Melba.**  
Cambridge. (Mrs.) U.

Heat 2 tablespoonfuls of raspberry jam in 1/2 gill of water with 4 lumps of sugar for ten minutes. Strain and cool. Both peaches and sauce should be put on ice before serving with ice cream.

## Lady Mary Pakenham on . . .

**LETTERS of thanks?** Easy. I never boast—nothing is further from my intentions, but it I was going to boast I would say, I was particularly good at writing them.

Here I am, three days after Christmas, with an hour to spare, so I may as well polish off the lot.

It seems I have only about fifteen left to get through, though it rather depends how you count, whether you call penwipers, Christmas cards or reckon calendars as presents.

It is a pity that the writing-table is covered with stockings. Last year we had a lavender-bag Christmas; the year before, a handkerchief Christmas; this year it was a stocking Christmas.

It is also a pity that the ink has been removed to such a safe place that no one can remember where it is, but I can manage with penwipers, fountain-pen and a blotter on my knee.

What extraordinary fountain-pens other people do have! This one has hairs growing out of it. Two words come out, "black" and "black", and "black". I feel it is used to writing things like "Beware!" or "Your unkindness has killed me." I am leaving for ever. "Dig here for treasure. Half-wire black."

The trouble with all literary composition is Mood. What mood? Well, I owned up that he got that thought through a quon of words every day that gratitude rhymes with platitude. regardless of Mood, the Great British Public were very properly so shocked that his sales dropped; which not only shows the respect in which Muses are held in England, but also that you cannot write anything unless you are in the Mood.

And now I come to think of it, I don't believe I am in the Mood. What with indication and a cold and my hair needing setting, I doubt if anyone ever set down to write letters of thanks more heavily handicapped than I.

Perhaps I should get on better without my blotter. It was full of holes, and I find habit of reading letters aloud at the breakfast-table cannot be too much

## THANK-YOU LETTERS

little boy was getting on at school. At last the letter came.

Dear Father,  
You ask if the bat arrived. It has. Love from John.

This is beautifully short, but we can go one better still. We can be ultra-sophisticated and, subtly implying that our friends are so intuitive that they understand everything without descending to vulgar words, we can model ourselves on the sensitive heroes and heroines in present-day novels and merely write—

Thank you!  
"That's rather a sudden pull up, ain't it, Sonny?"  
"Not a bit on it; she'll wish there was more and that's the great art of letter writing."

In spite of his old-fashioned breeding, he probably didn't mean a word of it, but it finds an echo in many a heart to-day.

And talking of the masters of the pen, how do they cope with letters of thanks? Not always too well. When Henry James was given a super dressing-case he tied himself into knots for four long pages. He first of all said that he hadn't written before as its magnificence had made him ill, but he was recovering and hoped soon to return to London, where the "monstrous object" would again confront him.

He then called it the scourge of his life and the blot on his scutcheon.

And then "Ah, Walter, Walter, why do you do these things? They're magnificent, but they're not well, discussable or permissible or forgivable. At least, not all at once. It will take a long, long time.... you are victor, winner, master.... You've done it, you've brought it off and got me down for ever...."

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# Accused Airwoman Pines for Lover

In Prison Cell Awaiting Trial, She Dreads Reunion

## Man Refuses To Make Charge

Paris, Mar. 25.

MME. Irene Schmeder, the French airwoman, charged with the attempted murder of her lover, Pierre l'Allemand, who was shot in an aeroplane they were flying together, sits in her cell at the Versailles women's prison fretting and worrying about the lover who has refused to accuse her.

She shares the cell with a woman accused of infanticide, but no word of her suffering escapes her, except in her rare letters or in the interviews with her brothers, who have special visiting privileges.

Mme. Schmeder is still deeply in love with Pierre l'Allemand.

Eating little, seldom speaking, she pines for the French airman, but all the time she dreads the inevitable meeting with him.

l'Allemand has stubbornly refused to take any part in the prosecution, but the couple will shortly confront each other by order of the magistrate.

While she prays for freedom Mme. Schmeder fears what freedom will mean for her. She can make no plans for the future.

### HUSBAND'S OFFER

Her husband has said repeatedly that he would take her back, but Mme. Schmeder feels that she cannot return after what has happened.

All her thoughts are of the past, on that last night-mare flight with the man she loves.

It was on December 20 that a plane bumped down to land in a field near Villacoublay.

The occupants were Mme. Schmeder and Pierre l'Allemand.

After a brief interval the plane took off again, and l'Allemand was left on the ground, suffering from bullet wounds, from which he has now recovered.

Mme. Schmeder flew on alone, crossed the Channel, and then crashed at Selsey, Sussex.

She was extradited from England, and then before the examining magistrate at Versailles sobbed out her story.

### FELL IN LOVE

She told how she had fallen in love with l'Allemand while he was giving her flying lessons, how his attitude had changed after she had returned from a visit to Italy.

Mme. Schmeder described the discovery of another woman, and then... that she was about to become a mother.

And now Mme. Schmeder waits in her cell, dreading their first meeting since their grim flight together.

## Diary For Sleeping Beauty

New York, Mar. 25.

PATRICIA MAGUIRE, sleeping beauty of Chicago, knows nothing of what has been going on in the world around her for the past five years. All that time she has been asleep, suffering from a strange disease.

Patricia's mother, hoping her daughter will awake, keeps a diary of what has happened in those five years—President Roosevelt's election, repeal of prohibition, England's new Kings, Mussolini's conquest of Abyssinia, Hitler's climb to power in Germany.

To-day Mrs. Maguire made another entry in the diary—the death of James Maguire, the sleeping beauty's father, in hospital, after a month's illness.

## DISEASE AGES WOMAN OF 26, DEATH ENSUES

London, March 1.

A strange and rare disease that aged a woman years in a few days has been investigated by British doctors.

It is known as Simmonds' disease, and the young woman who contracted it died of old age in a few months.

She was married and 26 years old. Her case was taken to the Royal Free Hospital. She had given birth to twins. After the birth of the second child she collapsed. Three days later she developed a severe headache and was unable to sleep. After a further two days she became blind. Her condition became gradually worse. She lost weight and her hair began to fall out.

After some months she was discharged from the hospital. Then she had a sudden relapse. Two days later she was found in bed with her jaw set and her hands tightly clenched. In five hours she died.

The disease, according to the British Medical Journal, Lancet, was originally described by Simmonds in 1914. Although several cases have occurred on the Continent, it is very rare in England.—United Press.

## Gave Up Smoking—To Win His Bride

Fifty years ago Mr. George Clark, who loved a pipe of tobacco, gave up smoking when his sweetheart said she would not marry him so long as he was a smoker.

Recently George and the wife—they live in Salford terrace, Camberwell, S.E.—celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

## SHOT MAJOR: INSURANCE FIRM APPEALS

IMPORTANT points affecting the law governing insurance policies will be debated by famous counsel before the Master of the Rolls, Lord Wright, and Lords Justices Romer and Scott in the High Court of Appeal in London.

The judges will have the task of reviewing the sensational "Shot Major" lawsuit, which was tried last year.

The Royal Insurance Company, Limited, are challenging a judgment given by Mr. Justice Swift in the King's Bench Division awarding £42,469 to Mrs. Agnes Emily de la Poer Beresford, of Crawford Street, London, S.W., niece and administratrix of the estate of Major Charles William St. John Rowlandson.

### IN A TAXICAB

The major shot himself in a taxicab in St. James's Street, Piccadilly, on Aug. 3, 1934, a few minutes before his life insurance policy lapsed through non-payment of premiums.

After a jury had returned a verdict that the major was sane when he shot himself, Mr. Justice Swift held that the insurance company must pay £42,469 under the policy on the major's life.

The company are now appealing, their contention being that to pay out on the policy is against public policy. The Appeal Court judges will also have to consider a cross appeal by Mrs. Beresford in connection with the issue before the jury of whether or not the major was sane when he shot himself.

At the original hearing it was stated that if Mrs. Beresford's claim succeeded the major's creditors might be paid 15s. in the £.

## A Life That Meant Much To Others

LAX THE BELOVED

A GREAT Christian died last month. He was sixty-nine years of age, and his name was William H. Lax.

For thirty-four years he had been associated with the Wesleyan Mission in Poplar, in the East End of London, for thirty-two of them as its superintendent.

He was known and loved by thousands of poor people. He knew all about the sordid lives of his overcrowded area, its vices, its braveries, its humours.

He stayed on in Poplar long after he would have moved elsewhere in the ordinary way—because he loved the work. He told many stories of his work. Here are some of them:—

Lax called on a coster who was ill with laryngitis. The coster was speechless, but his wife said kindly:—

"Thank you, sir; I know you'd be sorry because you, like Ellie, earn your living with 'ollers'."

There was an old man who lived alone, and with whom Lax spent much time, reading to him and praying with him.

At the time Lax was in touch with a kindly butcher, who said: "If ever you know of an old man or woman who could do with a mutton chop, let me know."

Lax gave the address of the old man to the butcher. Some time afterwards the old man died. He could hardly speak when he came near the end, but left the following message for Lax:—

"Tell Mr. Lax, it's all right. I'm going to God... But be sure to tell him, that it wasn't... his preaching that saved me... It was... the mutton chops."

Children everywhere greeted him in the streets, often with questions or pieces of curious information. One of these child friends once said to him in answer to a question whether he was saying his prayers: "I've dropped the fishy prayer."

"The fishy prayer?" said Lax, "whatver do you mean, Joey?"

## JARROW MAY GET ROLLING MILL

Labour Minister's Hint

MR. ERNEST BROWN (Minister of Labour) gave a strong hint to a Tyneside deputation last month that, at long last, something will be done for Jarrow.

Answering their demand for the establishment of a steel works, he gave them a pledge that "Jarrow will not be overlooked."

I understand, however, that there is still no prospect of a steel works, but it is probable that a re-rolling mill will be opened in the near future.

The deputation would have liked a more definite assurance that a big scheme is to be started, but they came away with the feeling that a little at least is to be done to relieve distress in the town.

IRON AND STEEL REPORT Mr. Brown also explained that the report of the Tariff Advisory Committee on the iron and steel industry would soon be available and that the Government's Bill to deal with the distressed areas generally will be introduced next week.

The deputation was received at the House of Trade by Mr. Brown, acting for Mr. Runciman, who is ill.

It included Lord Londonderry and Miss Ellen Wilkinson, M.P., who thus found themselves on the same side for the first time in their lives.



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## Besppectated At Billingsgate

Spectacles are a mark of illiteracy—in Billingsgate.

Discussing the ability of a fish porter to recollect facts, Mr. L. A. Byrne, barrister at the Mansion House, asked a Billingsgate fish merchant: "Is he not altogether illiterate?"

"Well, he's very near-sighted," was the reply.

"Then you think the wearing of spectacles evidence of illiteracy?"

"All know is that I knew him when he was very young, and I bought him his first glasses."

"An entirely new definition of illiteracy," commented the smiling Lord Mayor.

## France Finds New Fattest Man

Paris, Mar. 25.

Only a few days after the death of France's fattest man, a successor was found to take his laurels. He is Jean Bonna who is reputed to have weighed only 900 grammes (orl. 98 lbs.) at his birth and began to get fat, like his predecessor, after the war.

Bonna, who to-day is one of Paris' champion chefs, was a strange case at his birth in 1892. The doctors felt sure he would never live, and his first twenty-eight days in this world were spent inside an incubator to keep him alive. He calls himself "the canned baby," as a result of this first experience.

From 1907 to 1914 Jean Bonna lived and travelled in French Indo-China and was known as one of the skinniest men in the French colony there. By the time the war came he was just about normal weight, 171 lbs. and about 5 ft. 10 in. tall. He was accepted as a pilot and received the war cross and several citations for his bravery and skill in combat. "I was so thin," he reminisces to-day, "that I just passed between the bullets."

LOST ARM IN WAR Johannes Bethliner, France's fattest man, went through almost the same experience. He lost an arm in the war and the loss seemed to upset his metabolic rate. He grew fatter and fatter until the day of his death on February 6, when he weighed 439 lbs. Bonna seems to be on the same road to fame.

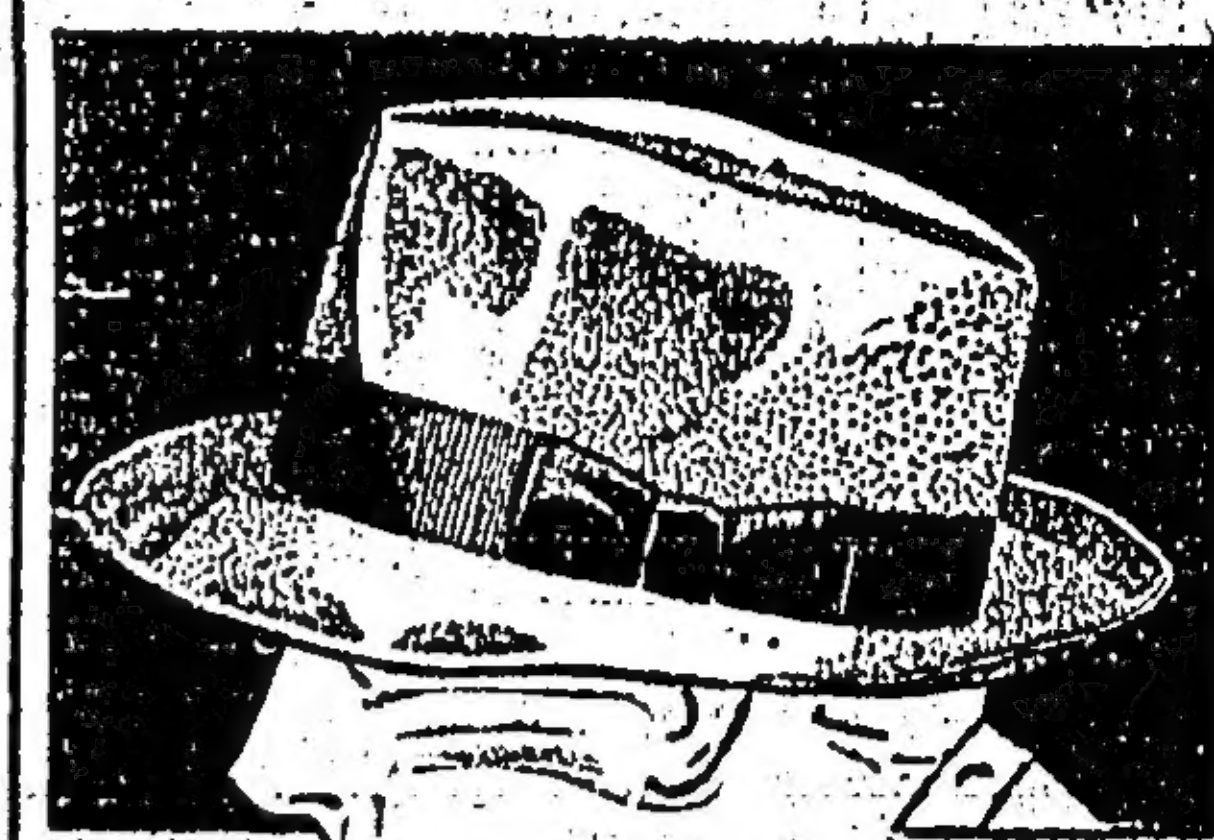
Demobilized and put back on normal rations as a cook in a restaurant, he suddenly saw the arrow on the scales mounting swiftly. In 1923 he began to get worried, having risen to a weight of 253 lbs. By 1931 he had risen to 341 lbs. Then Bonna decided he had better do something about it, he had better go on a diet, he told reporters, decided not to eat any bread, drink any wine, use saucers. It was a trying experience. I stood it for several weeks, and then went to a weighing machine. What a joke! While I had been on a diet I had gained almost thirty pounds. I assure you it wasn't funny, after all that suffering."

### SAMPLE MENU

After his trying experiences on a diet, sufferings which many Americans have experienced, but without such doleful results, Jean Bonna went off the diet band wagon. "I gave up the hopeless game," he said with tears in his throat, "and decided to be happy at any rate. I still eat sparingly however. Asked what a sample menu of today was for him, he confided, "Not much! An omelette of a dozen eggs to start with, an entree of three pounds of meat, an entire cheese-camembert is my favourite, and two litres of wine. I'm not what you call a big eater. Old Marlin of the markets, there was a pig for you! He used to devour food!"

Having dismissed his two predecessors in this casual manner, Bonna showed that he was finally out for the world's record. "I'm still far from the world's record," he said slyly. "They tell me that there is an Indian Maharajah who weighs 704 pounds. But I won't take long to catch up and take the record for France. I don't think I'll try for the world's record after all. I think I'll let the Maharajah take the prize for he can sit around all day with servants fanning him and carrying him around. I've got to earn my living, and that means standing in a hot kitchen for eight hours a day. It would be unfair to try and beat him with such odds."

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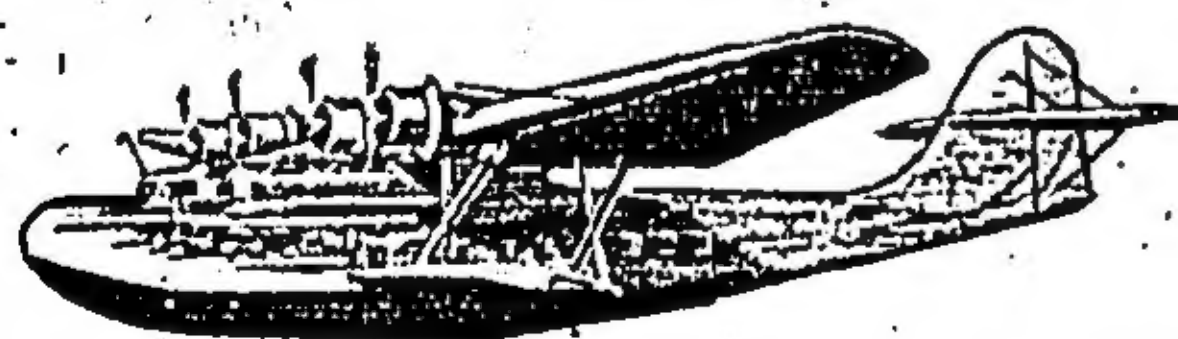
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Ronald Colman and Jane Wyatt in a romantic interlude in "The Lost Horizon" commencing at the King's Theatre on Friday.

CINEMA  
NOTES

Although both have been continuously under contract to the same studio for more than three years, Bette Davis and Warren William worked together in the same picture for only the second time. The production is "Satan Met a Lady," the Warner Bros. picture now showing at the King's Theatre. The last picture in which the two were co-starred was the political satire, "The Dark Horse," filmed in 1932. During the three years intervening, thousands of fans have written the Warner Bros. demanding that Miss Davis and William be co-starring again, but not until "Satan Met a Lady" was a suitable vehicle found for the pair. The picture is a combination of melodramatic thrills, romance and hilarious comedy. Besides Miss Davis and William, the cast includes Allison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher, Marie Wilson, Winifred Shaw and Porter Hall. William Dieterle directed the production from the screen play by Brown Holmes.

## "15 Maiden Lane"

Dramatically revealing the secrets of the world's greatest jewelry centre, a district guarded as carefully as the National Treasury against the hordes of thieves lured from all over the world, "15 Maiden Lane," Twentieth Century-Fox's story of the famous Diamond Row opens at the Queen's Theatre today. Cast in the role of a clever, silk-hatted crook-daring enough to attempt a robbery the rest of the underworld considers far too risky, Cesar Romero, achieves a polished performance in suavity and coolness. Claire Trevor, featured as the niece of the head of the company insuring the gem stolen by Romero, turns amateur detective and determines to recover the million dollar loss as well as break up the ring of jewel thieves victimizing Diamond Row. Pretending to fall in with the plans of Romero, Claire leads him on until she finds herself in a strategic position resulting in a whirlwind denouement that not only recovers the stolen diamond but loot from several other robberies as well. Produced by Executive Producer Sol M. Wurtzel, and directed by Allan Dwan, "15 Maiden Lane" also features Douglas Fowley, Lloyd Nolan, Lester Matthews and Robert McWade.

## "Outcast"

The fury of a mob intent upon the life of a famous physician, incited by a woman who swore to destroy him, brings "Outcast" the drama which has its run today at the Alhambra Theatre, to a powerful climax. Warren William is the physician and Karen Morley enacts the role of the woman who hates him. William is acquitted of a murder charge after a beautiful woman patient had been found dead under suspicious circumstances. Miss Morley believes him guilty and hounds him from city to city to expose him. Through Lewis Stone, who befriends William in a mid-western town where he has taken refuge, Miss Morley is persuaded to keep his past a secret. She falls in love with William, but too late to save him and herself from the fury of a mob she had incited against him. "Outcast" is the motion picture adaptation of Frank R. Adams' popular novel and magazine serial "Happiness Preferred." Its cast of over 200 players includes little Jackie Moran, John Wray, Christian Rub, Esther Dale and many others.

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WHAT A YOUNG GIRL  
SHOULD KNOW

(Continued from Page 6.)

I shall send her to a business college for a few months and then expect her to find a job. Any job, just as a boy would have to do. I would not let her stumble about, among parties and house-holds, until she is 30 and then discover that her education had gone stale and that she had no method of earning except badgering her friends to buy trinkets or luxuries because of friendship.

The world is full of charming, dishonest women who cheat because husbands, fathers, and shopkeepers wink at the notion that women always spend more than they should. Women can be just as charming if they are honest. That is why my daughter must be responsible about her spending money. That is why when, on the 28th of March, she has 20 cents and no petrol in her Baby Austin, she has to get along on foot until the first of April. It gets down to this: a girl should know how to handle what money she has, whether it is five dollars or a half million. The girl who says, "I couldn't possibly afford it. But it was so adorable that I just had to have it," has not been taught how to spend.

It seems to me beyond question that a girl should know something about domestic life and household management. Here I run wild with references. I would rather have a girl know how to clean a sink than make a lemon pie. I have insisted that she know how many pounds of peas to buy for six people and at what season to buy melons and avoid grapes, as well as the difference between shoulder, rib, and loin lamb chops. I want her to know how to make good coffee, good tea, broil a chop, make a salad, and put a meal on the table without getting breathless. But beyond that I leave knowledge about cookery to the pressure and temptation of her future circumstances. Who knows what cookery will be necessary in the future?

I believe that a girl should know how to take a temperature and care for a minor illness or accident. She should know how to make a bed. Few do. I think a girl should know that there is no peace of mind in a confused or disorderly room. A girl should know how to arrange flowers, and make something charming out of six miserable calluluses if necessary. And she should know how to get along with her family. In every family the effort at harmony must start somewhere, and men and boys succumb more easily to business snoots or bad golf scores or bolts. A girl should know how to appear cheerful when she is not cheerful and look serene at the table when she is troubled. It is part of her woman's job.

The normal girl does not even want to imagine a life in which men play no part. Therefore she should be fortified by accomplishment for social confidence. One begins with those social relations which lead to closer ones between individuals, and for these a knowledge of how to dress, how to play games, how to dance, how to talk well, and co-act oneself in company are the major points. It is very necessary for a girl to know how to wear clothes to advantage. This includes a discovery of her own personality as expressed by her appearance. She should know that it is not necessary to be beautiful in order to be charming. She should know that no well-dressed person thinks about her looks all the time.

She must know how to use her voice. The shrill clatter of some girls' voices definitely destroys their charm. She should know how to dance. Dancing is essential to a girl's confidence. She should swim, built for safety and for pleasure. But after reaching this point I should let a girl choose her other sports. A girl who knows how to drive a golf ball a decent distance or return a serve well in tennis, has a means of healthy development, and an opportunity to meet men in their sports. I think a girl should know how to do one such thing quite well.

NEW YORK STOCK  
EXCHANGEMARKET UPWARD  
YESTERDAY

New York, Mar. 31.—S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market.—Prices to-day advanced from fractions to three points. Selective buying spread to moderate trading. Steels and motors received minor set-backs on profit-taking, the latter reflecting disappointment over the adjournment of the Chrysler conference. The advance in the price of domestic copper induced early buying of metals. Oils and amusements were in good demand. Sentiment with regard to rails was mixed. Farm equipments strengthened. Curb stocks were higher, led by oils and minerals. Bonds were irregular. United States 19's reaching new low.

S. C. & F. Wall Street Journal Morning Comment.—Bank stocks are now attractively priced on yield and earnings possibilities. The better behaviour of bonds helped to revive confidence in stocks. Pacific Coast enquiries indicate increased interest in oil shares. Yesterday's rally indicated an aggressive demand for stocks, which was principally of a technical nature. Rubber shares were strong due to the expected increase in the price of tires.

Stocks: The market turned dull and easier on the failure of the late rally of the previous day to carry through. The tone was unsettled by continued caution and the reactionary commodity markets. Oils and metals respond respectively to improving petroleum statistics and the further advance in the price of copper by 3/4 of a cent to 17 cents per lb. Fertilizer stocks appear to be entering a bullish earnings position. We expect further irregularity and further testing of last week's lows and we suggest a continued cautious trading policy.

Cotton: There has been heavy hedge-selling and realising due to the possibility that no announcement means continued sales of Government stocks. Profit-taking meets advances, but no great pressure follows; however, technical reactions are to be expected.

Wheat: Improving crop prospects render the market more vulnerable to sharp reactions, but good support is expected as long as foreign absorption continues. The present high price is conducive to trading for quick profits. The Miller Company estimates that

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May	14.65/69	14.50/52
July	14.55/58	14.39/40
October	13.88/90	13.81/82
December	13.80/81	13.77/77
January	13.80/80	13.76/76
Mar. (1938)	13.81/81	13.80/80
Spot	15.05	15.10

## New York Rubber

May	27.01/02	26.69/68
July	27.21/22	26.68/71
September	27.19/20	26.65/68
December	27.11/13	26.63/63
Total sales	4,910 tons.	

## Chicago Wheat

May	144/144 1/2	142 1/2/142 1/2
July	129 1/2/129 1/2	127 1/2/127 1/2
September	126 1/2/126 1/2	124 1/2/124 1/2
Tuesday's sales	53,600,000 bushels.	

## Chicago Corn

May	121 1/2/121 1/2	121 1/2/121 1/2
July	115 1/2/115 1/2	115 1/2/115 1/2
September	109 1/2/109 1/2	109 1/2/109 1/2

## Winnipeg Wheat

May	148 1/2/148 1/2	140 1/2/140 1/2
July	144 1/2/144 1/2	142 1/2/142 1/2
October	129 1/2/129 1/2	127 1/2/127 1/2

the winter crop will amount to 610,000,000 bushels.

Corn: Scarcity of offerings, high cash premiums and the expectation of low private estimates of farm reserves to-morrow are steadying the market. Rubber: The market was very nervous under heavy liquidation and report of increased c.i.f. offers from the East, but these latter were at steady prices.

## REUTERS QUOTATIONS

	Mar. 30	Mar. 31
Dow Jones Averages:		
30 Industrials	180.77	180.41
20 Rails	82.30	81.72
20 Utilities	32.08	32.08
40 Bonds	102.18	102.13
11 Commodity Index	82.44	81.76

## RADIO BROADCAST

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GHI	15.500 k.c.	15.50 metres
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GHI	6.110 k.c.	49.10 metres
GHI	15.180 k.c.	19.76 metres
GHI	15.510 k.c.	19.60 metres

## Transmission 1

(G.S.B., G.S.G., G.S.I.)  
8 p.m. Big Ben, "Eleven-Thirty to Twelve, March 31," an entertainment for the "Lost Horizon" Day.  
8.30 p.m. "Food for Thought," Three short talks on matters of topical interest.  
8.50 p.m. The B.H.O. Empire Orchestra.  
9.25 p.m. "Your Programme from Davenport," A talk by the Empire Programme Director.  
9.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.  
All Greenwich Time Signal at 4.45 p.m.

## Transmission 2

(G.S.B., G.S.G., G.S.I.)  
7 p.m. Big Ben, "Acts and Galatians—The Book of Acts" (Gospel).  
8 p.m. "Names that Are History"—An extract from the "Life of Lord Oxford and Asquith" by J. A. Spender and Cyril Asquith, read by the Countess of Oxford.  
8.15 p.m. The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra.  
8.35 p.m. "To be Wise."  
8.55 p.m. The News and Announcements.  
9.15 p.m. "Greenwich Time Signal at 9.15 p.m."  
9.25 p.m. "Food for Thought," Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

## Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.S.G., G.S.I.)  
10 p.m. Big Ben, "The Table under the Tree" Written by Wilfrid Ruckley.  
10.47 p.m. A Sonata Recital by David Martin (Canadian Violinist) and Myers (Pianoforte).  
11.15 p.m. The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force.  
12 a.m. "Eleven-Thirty to Twelve, March 31," An entertainment for All "Lost Horizon" Day.  
12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.45 a.m.  
12.50 a.m. Dance Music.

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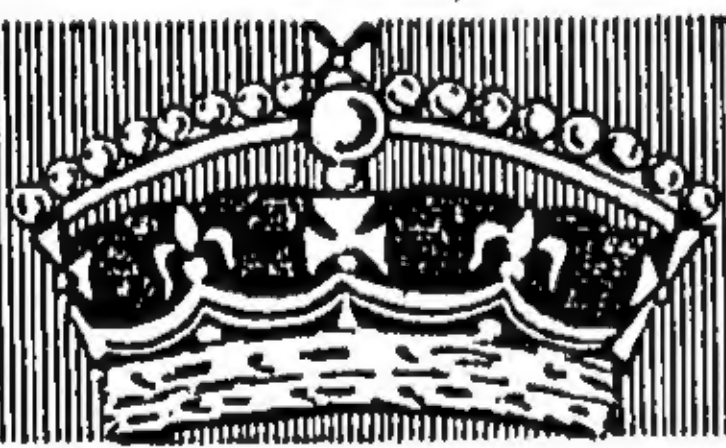
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PEOPLING THE  
EMPIRE

One of the questions which is  
sure to engage the attention of  
the forthcoming Imperial Con-  
ference is the possibility of  
evolving a large-scale plan for  
migration of suitable workers  
from the Mother Country to the  
self-governing Dominions. Lord  
Melchett recently mentioned as

a remarkable fact that, not-  
withstanding the efforts of  
many Imperialists, no-one has  
yet succeeded in arousing with-  
in the Empire as a whole an  
ideal of Imperial development.  
In other days, there was a  
steady flow of migration to the  
overseas possessions, but it was  
a more or less casual process,  
without any settled plan or con-  
scious effort towards the realisa-  
tion of the mighty enterprise for  
which the peopling of the Em-  
pire calls. Thus it has been re-  
marked that the Empire has  
been peopled in a sort of absent-  
minded manner. Obviously  
these methods will not do for  
the future, especially in view of  
the fact that other nations are  
clamouring for overseas terri-  
tories. It is a sorry circum-  
stance that whilst there are  
men, women and young people  
idle by the hundreds of thou-  
sands in the Homeland, reports  
from Australia state that there  
are almost unlimited openings  
for boys and single men for  
farm work and for young women  
in domestic work in several of  
the States of the Common-  
wealth. One organisation at  
Home which concerns itself with  
Empire settlement reports that  
it was able to send only twenty  
persons to the Dominions last  
year. All of these had to find  
their own passage-money. When  
we take facts like these into  
account, it becomes evident that  
if an attempt were made to re-  
vive migration from Home along  
comprehensive lines, on an as-  
sisted basis, there would be little  
difficulty experienced in finding  
jobs for the emigrants. It is  
essential, however, that the  
people sent overseas should be  
of the right type, those who are  
not afraid of work and who  
would not drift into the over-  
crowded labour markets in the  
big cities. Australia and other  
Dominions have had too many  
of this type sent them in the  
past. The question is one which  
not only concerns finding of  
work for those now unemployed,  
and the provision of workers  
where they are needed, but it  
vitality affects the whole problem  
of peopling of the overseas Em-  
pire. If some concerted effort is  
not made to fill up some of the  
empty spaces with Britons,  
other nations may cast covetous  
eyes on the Dominions.

## WHO BEGAN THIS APRIL FOOLING?



errands to persons who do not  
exist?

Even the Turks

AND then, of course, they poke  
their grinning heads round  
the corner—just as our school-  
boys will certainly do to-day—  
and cry their equivalent of our  
"Yah—April Fool!"

The Turks, too, so far forget  
their natural pride as to indulge  
in the most fantastic stories on  
this day, filling credulous ears  
with seemingly authentic reports  
of most unlikely happenings in  
other countries. It is deemed  
great fun to put such tales into  
print. April Fools!

The French, as you know, are  
very fond of playing practical  
jokes on All Fools' Day. With  
them an April Fool is *un poisson  
d'avril*. Why? A fish? "Poor  
fish," no doubt.

I have been told that many  
French fishermen put a super-  
stitious construction on it, and do  
not greatly care to put out with  
their boats to-day, believing that  
the catch will not be worth their  
trouble.

WHO, pray, first cast  
the blight of folly on  
this fair day—and  
where?

Wise men of many cen-  
turies have made fools of  
themselves in giving solemn  
answers to this unanswer-  
able question; and yet, such  
is the power of vindictive-  
ness in the human heart,  
we yearn still to have the  
mystery solved. That we  
might unload upon the  
memory of a too-long-  
nameless wight the burden  
of our All Fools' spleen.

The search for him has ex-  
tended from the Tweed to Tur-  
kestan; from Highgate Hill to  
the Himalayas; almost all the  
world shares, in one form or an-  
other, his endless legacy of April  
foolery. Why even the imme-  
morial dignity of the East suffers  
the bladder-blows of the death-  
less jester—for do not the  
Hindus, when their festival of  
Holi ends on the last of March,  
despatch trustful folk on fools'

You're Bound to Fall

IF you are as unsuspecting of  
malicious purpose as I am,  
you will inevitably be a fool to-  
day. It is of no use your having  
vowed to yourself: "I will keep  
my wits about me—I will be on  
the alert for the jokers." You  
will find yourself once more a  
victim even in the moment you  
are repeating your own warning  
to yourself!

I have tried diligently to make  
myself April fool-proof, and have  
never succeeded. How often,  
when I was a small boy, was I  
caused to suffer and blush with  
physical hurt and the smart of  
shame in the process of being  
fooled.

And then, how often have I  
gone bravely, because thought-  
lessly, forth to a most sad fate,  
when the First of April joke  
has been of a "practical" sort.  
You remember the mysterious  
parcels you were asked to de-

Poor Grandpapa

EVEN when we are old and  
grey we shall not be im-  
mune from April foolers.

"Grandpapa," saucy little  
grand-daughters will be piping  
this morning at breakfast,  
"Grandpapa, there's something  
on your face."

"What d'you say, my dear?"  
old grand-dad will quaver, cup-  
ping his ear in a shaking hand.

"I say there's something on  
your face, Grandpapa."

"I don't think so, my dear"

—and the shaking hand will ex-  
plore the old visage.

"Oh, yes, there is, Grand-  
papa."

"What is it, then, child?"

"Why, your nose, of course,  
April Fool!"

Poor grandpapa! To think  
that all the wisdom garnered in  
your long life should leave you  
defenceless in this foolish hour.

A century ago demure young  
girls with corkscrew curls used  
to be sent to bookshops for a  
copy of "The History of Eve's  
Grandmother." The modern  
schoolgirl is not so simply to be  
taken in. Indeed, it is my ex-  
perience that girls are far less  
prone than boys to be April-  
fooled—and that, in fact, they  
do most of the fooling that is  
done this day.

Pauline, a most tricky sprite,  
has been the first to cry me  
"Fool!" on many a First of April  
morning past; and you may be  
sure she has prepared some dark  
and subtle scheme for tripping  
up my wits before the noon-  
hour strikes.

The noon-hour! Take note  
of that, for there is no manner  
of virtue in April-fooleries after  
that time.

That is the witching-hour of  
All Fools' Day, when all the  
imps of devilry must scuttle  
back home, to come not out till  
"April blows his horn" again.

Therefore you must get up  
early to fool your neighbour—  
so early that he is only half-  
awake. Then, while he is fum-  
bling for his wits, loose your  
shaft at the April Fool.

All's fair to-day.

## If a BRITON MARRIES an ALIEN

Legal questions which arise  
when a British subject is con-  
templating marriage with a  
foreigner are discussed by S. L.  
Ricardo in *Oversea*, the organ of  
the Overseas League. His article  
is reproduced below.

ENGLAND recognises the marriage  
laws of every other country,  
provided that at the time of their  
marriage age the parties would, by  
English law, have been free to  
marry. This means that if you are  
married in France or Holland your  
marriage holds good in England.  
Unfortunately, some countries are  
not so inclusive.

Recently an Englishwoman mar-  
ried a Dutchman in England and  
lived with him for some years.  
Then he returned to Holland where  
the marriage was not recognised and  
married again. The only conso-  
lation the English law offers this wo-  
man is that if ever her husband  
set foot in this country he could be  
arrested for bigamy. Yet the dan-  
ger could have been avoided by in-  
viting the Dutch consul in England  
to attend the wedding. His presence  
would have made it binding in  
Dutch law.

NON-BRITISH DIVORCES

Although England recognises  
marriages made in other countries  
she does not admit their right to  
grant divorces to her citizens on  
grounds which would not be suf-  
ficient to secure a divorce in England.  
Hence the famous Earl Russell case  
in which the English law was  
solemnly to regard his American  
divorce as void and proceeded when  
he married again to prosecute him  
for bigamy.

British consuls abroad are allowed  
to grant marriage licences provided  
one of the couple is a British sub-  
ject. Having granted the licence the  
consul either performs the ceremony  
himself or is present during its per-  
formance. Such marriages can only  
be celebrated when both parties are  
free to marry by British law.

SUSPICIONS OF RENO

Almost every year a number of  
marriages are stopped in England be-  
cause either the bride or groom has  
been granted a *Reno* divorce and  
therefore in the eyes of the English  
law is not free to marry. Most of  
these couples then go to France. Here  
all divorces are recognised, but the  
residential qualification is longer than  
the fifteen days required in England.

Marriage by the captain of a mer-  
chant ship is only legal in dire ne-  
cessity; when, for example, passen-  
gers have been cast on an uninhabited  
island, or the vessel is in danger, or  
they are bound for a place where  
there is no one who has the right to  
celebrate a marriage. The Merchant  
Shipping Act provides that the  
master of a vessel shall enter in the  
ship's log every marriage celebrated  
on board, together with the names  
and ages of the parties. This does  
not necessarily make such marriages  
valid. Except in cases of extreme  
necessity a clergyman must be pre-  
sent and English law has so far never  
yet recognised any merchant ship  
marriage minus a clergyman. Some  
years ago the *Rurik*, a ship of Ply-  
mouth married a Norwegian couple  
in a tender three miles out to sea  
just clear of the territorial limit.  
This was a legal marriage and saved  
them the necessity of residing fifteen  
days in England. Captains of war-  
ships have wider powers than those  
of the merchant service. Like com-  
manding officers in the army they  
may celebrate marriages for British  
subjects in out-of-the-way parts of  
the Empire.

IN THE OUT-STATIONS

In England marriages must take  
place in buildings registered for the  
purpose or if in an ordinary build-  
ing then the district register must  
be present. In outlying parts of the  
Empire the law has allowed more  
latitude and marriage can be  
solemnised in the house of any Brit-  
ish subject provided the service is  
conducted by a chaplain or officer, or  
other person officiating by authority  
of the local commanding officer of  
the local garrison. This rule may  
sometimes apply outside the Empire.  
It was held recently that a marriage  
celebrated in China according to the  
rites of the Church of England was  
legal although there was no building  
in that part of China registered for  
the celebration of marriages.

WIFE'S NATIONALITY

In 1933, under the provision of the  
British Nationality and Status of  
Aliens Act, it became possible for a  
British woman to keep her own na-  
tionality on marrying a foreigner of  
a country which does not automati-  
cally give a wife her husband's na-  
tionality. Before this act a British  
woman who married an American lost  
her British nationality and could not  
acquire American citizenship without  
going through the usual probationary  
period of several years. But this act  
still leaves some women stateless.  
Last year, for instance, an English  
woman who had married a German  
Jew and gone into exile with him  
found herself neither British nor Ger-  
man. Marriage with an Englishman  
automatically gives a woman British  
citizenship; whether she happens to  
want it or not.

## WHAT A YOUNG GIRL SHOULD KNOW

By  
MARGARET  
BANNING

WE expect so much of our  
children; more, I sometimes  
think, of our girls than of our  
boys. I have a daughter who is  
17, and I find that in the last six  
months I have expected her to  
know how to do these varied  
things:

Pass examinations in Chemistry,  
French, and Latin.

Decide on her preferences among  
further studies with a view ultimately  
to earning her own living.

Meet a great many strangers  
pleasantly.

Handle her own personal expenses  
on a small allowance.

Play golf and tennis, one in the  
competition of tournaments.

Dance well.

Read intelligently such books as  
*The Imitation of Christ*, Emily  
Dickinson's Poems, Kay Boyle's *First  
Love*, and William Faulkner's *Light  
in August*.

Do the buying at the compradore's  
and keep the bills within a stipulated  
monthly amount.

Select several evening dresses, with  
the understanding that each must cost  
less than \$30, and keep on hand the  
right kind of clothes for her sports  
and activities.

Refrain from drinking without be-  
ing a prig.

Prevent the boys "who took her  
out" from indulging in necking.

Leave the kitchen in order after  
impromptu entertaining at night, no  
matter how late it happens to be.

Be agreeable to her relatives and  
to those family friends in whom she  
has no interest.

Drive a car without accidents, wash  
it, and change a tire.

Swim.

Keep some of the day for herself.

It sounds as if I got my ideas of  
parenthood from Simon Legree. I  
am slightly ashamed of that list be-  
cause there are many things on it that  
I myself cannot do. Nor did she  
succeed in achieving perfection, as a  
crumpled fender, an irritated aunt,  
and various other things proved.

None the less that is what I expected  
of my daughter. I do not want to  
cause anything off that list, and I  
shall probably find myself lengthen-  
ing it.

Her equipment must be diversified  
because her future is beyond prop-  
hecy. So I want her to know the  
things that will stand her in good  
stead if she is poor; or if she is rich;  
if she is happily married, divorced,  
or remains single; if she builds herself

a cottage in Kent or has a job in a  
bank in Hongkong.

I know of only one way  
to approach the problem. It  
is true that I cannot foretell what  
her individual life will be, but I  
can see into what divisions her  
duties must inevitably fall. She  
will have a business life of some sort,  
even if it is limited to paying her  
bills or signing cheques. She will have  
a domestic life almost certainly, for  
domestic life persists even in strange  
new forms. She will have many  
social dealings with men and women.  
She will have personal relations with  
herself. For these four things I want,  
by hook or crook, by play or work,  
to fit her.

When I say business dealings I do  
not mean a job. I think a girl should  
know how to earn her living, of  
course. But it may not be necessary  
for her to earn money continually.  
The sense of earning, however, the  
personal confidence it gives a girl,  
the awareness that her ability has a  
market value, is immeasurably  
valuable. That knowledge keeps a  
girl from all sorts of secret discontents  
and fears. If she marries it is apt  
to make her relations with her hus-  
band truer and freer, because, while  
she may quite properly be living on  
his income, she is not in terror lest he  
lose it or tire of her.

When my daughter finishes her  
schooling she will, I think, have found  
a way to earn her living. But if not

(Continued on Page 5.)



# MAN FROM OGPU GAOL TELLS ALL

'CONFESS—YOU WILL SEE YOUR FAMILY:  
PLEAD GUILTY—YOU WILL BE FREED'

## 'Grilled' For 4 Months By Commissars

THE "Telegraph" is able to publish to-day the first personal record of life in a Soviet secret prison and of the methods used to obtain confessions. The story is given exactly as it was told by a man who left his wife and children in Moscow—a man who can never go back.

WARSAW, MAR. 21.  
HERR ARTUR THILO, 34-YEAR-OLD BRITISH-BORN GERMAN JEW, EXPELLED FROM SOVIET RUSSIA AFTER BEING HELD WITHOUT TRIAL FOR FOUR MONTHS, WAITED UP WITH ME TO-NIGHT TO HEAR IF THE BRITISH AUTHORITIES IN WARSAW WOULD GRANT HIM A PASSPORT ON THE GROUNDS THAT HIS MOTHER WAS BRITISH AND THAT HE WAS BORN IN BRADFORD.

Thilo must leave Warsaw by to-morrow midnight; if the passport is not granted he does not know where he can go. His wife and two children remain in Moscow, but he can never return.

Pale and dour, his nerve strained to breaking-point, Thilo described to me how he came to be accused of spying for Germany and conspiring with Trotsky terrorists.

"I will start from the beginning," he said. "Four months ago—it was on November 4, at two a.m.—I was awakened by loud knocking at my door. I opened it. Several men walked in.

NARROW CELL  
"They took me to the Lubyanka Prison, put me into a cell about five feet wide by twelve feet long. Another man was already in it. They slammed the door, and that was all for four or five days.

"The warders treated us well. There was no rough handling. For breakfast they gave us black bread, for lunch soup, and for supper a kind of porridge.

"Then came my first cross-examination by the OGPU commissars. I had fifteen cross-examinations in all. In the end they broke me down. Sometimes they lasted one hour, sometimes as long as five.

"They were always carried out in the same way. One, two or three OGPU commissars used to fire questions and statements at me. They said: 'You are guilty of committing espionage for Germany. You are also guilty of co-operating with the Trotskyists.' I replied: 'There is no truth in that. Bring your evidence.' 'The commissars used to laugh, said encouragingly: 'Come on now, own up and you'll be freed.' Gradually they tried to make me believe that I was guilty and promised everything would be all right as soon as I admitted it.

"I refused to give in, asked them to bring material proof. Then they said: 'There is no hope of escaping prison unless you confess. As soon as you confess that you have committed espionage and have been co-operating with the Trotskyists we will free you, and you will be able to see your wife and children.'

"I replied: 'It is absurd trying to confess things I have never done. I would only be making up such confessions.' The OGPU commissar replied: 'Then make it up.'

"By the middle of December I admitted—quite forcefully—that I had committed espionage on behalf of Germany. Then I realised that my position had not been improved in the least by confessing.

"Two weeks later I contradicted it all. 'Less than two weeks after my arrest I was placed in a solitary cell at Butyrki Prison. I saw nobody except the warders but they gave me books to read. This mental pressure to make me confess was continuous, though I was never bodily ill-treated.

"It's the only way to get out of prison," they told me. 'Why, then, are people here who have been

in prison for a year without confessing, but that is not going to help them.' I was told the German Embassy would do nothing to help me.

"Then, when I had never even hoped for it, OGPU officials brought me out a few days ago—on Saturday. They took me to an office, where a young woman official read me out a notice telling me that I was to be banished from Soviet Russia without trial. The same evening they brought me to the railway station. In a special compartment in the train which I was in were five OGPU officials.

"My wife and two children were brought to the train, so that I could say good-bye. My daughter and my son is three and a half. 'At the Polish border this evening I was handed over to Polish officials. Now I am praying that everything will be all right for me to come to England. My sister is in London and I want to reach there as soon as possible.

"[Note.—Artur Thilo returned from England to Germany in 1913. He remained until 1920, then went to America as an engineer. He returned in 1921 to Moscow to work in the Auto Auto and Tractor works. He is one of the nine Germans who have just been expelled from Soviet Russia.]



The "Paris Exhibition Queen 1937" will be selected from these charming girls. They come from all parts of France.

## GAS: HINTS FOR THE HOME AND OFFICE

If you were in London and were to look in at No. 17, Aldermanbury, the narrow street of business houses behind Guildhall, you will find yourself in one of the strangest exhibitions ever staged in the City of London.

You may not believe that the next war will come in your lifetime, but the Lord Mayor and the City Corporation of London are taking no risks. Their motto is "Be Prepared."

The object of the exhibition, which was opened by the Lord Mayor, is to teach City men what to do in the event of an enemy gas attack at their work by day or in their homes by night.

### TO EACH HIS COSY CORNER

Every one should convert his cellar or basement, or some room if the dwelling is a flat, into a "refuge room," which he should regard as his first line of defence. St. John Ambulance Brigade men and officials of the Special Air Raid Precautions Committee of the Corporation will

tell you how to fit up the room. Read some of the instructions:

Take up the carpet and fill in all cracks round the skirting board. Seal all trap doors, skylights and hatches. Stop all ventilation in the outside walls and the chimney with rags or paper.

Model exhibits in the refuge room on view show you how to resist the enemy. When you have got thoroughly well set for the attack and have turned on the wireless or sat down to a game of cards—also included in the exhibits—you ought to be able to live for 12 hours in the refuge room before sensing an air of suffocation.

### THINGS TO KEEP HANDY

You may already have the materials for fitting up your gas-proof room—old carpets for barricading the windows, wet blankets for the inner doors, and plenty of brown paper for sealing over the chimneys.

You should also have a good stock of that strong transparent paper used for wrapping round electrical sockets. This is for pasting over the window panes. The shock of an exploding bomb might crack unprotected glass, and two or three layers of the paper would prevent the gas passing through the cracks.

It is all very illuminating, and to do the thing properly flat-dwellers are asked to set up a protection committee among themselves and to insist on a roll-call as soon as the air-raid warning is given. The exhibition is the first of its kind in the country, and it has the blessing of the Home Office. Hanging on the walls are coloured posters from Russia and Austria showing the horrors of an enemy attack with the air raid instructions translated in English.

## ROGER CASEMENT'S DIARY

### DAIL MEMBER'S QUESTION

Mr. de Valera was questioned in the Dail recently regarding the existence of a diary supposed to have been written by Roger Casement, who was executed in Pentonville Prison in 1916 after having been found guilty of treason.

Mr. Frank MacDermot asked whether he would ask the British Government to submit the diary to joint examination by representatives of the Governments of the Free State and of Great Britain, and to publish their report as to its authenticity.

He also asked as to the possibility of an honest mistake—having been made by those who made use of it if it were found to be spurious.

Mr. De Valera: Roger Casement's reputation is safe in the affections of the Irish people—the only people whose opinions matter.

## Killed Second Ex-Wife At Re-Wooing 'Party'

Chicago, Mar. 25.  
BRILLIANT Chicago specialist Dr. Frank Furch jun., aged thirty-eight, is expected to recover to face charges of shooting dead one of his former wives and attempting to kill another, himself, and a maid at a "reunion" last night.

### Brides: Nazi Pattern

IS your girl of German or kindred blood? These are two of 10 questions which young officers or non-commissioned officers of the German Army will have to answer with "Yes," according to a new military law, before receiving a permit to marry.

Other questions, says Reuters' Berlin Correspondent, are: Has your girl a good reputation? Does she command respect? Do her parents command respect, and are they patriots? Are you and your girl free of debt? Can the home be run on a sound financial basis? Do you both fulfil the conditions of the "Marriage Health Law"?

## British Destroyer Made Like A Camel

The destroyer Impulsive was launched at Cowes this month by Countess Jellicoe.

The vessel belongs to the I class ordered late in 1935. Storage for provisions, ammunition and oil fuel will enable her to operate anywhere and be absent from home ports or bases for long periods.

## Cheap Divorce Rush

SOLICITORS anticipate a flood of applications for quick and cheap divorce by poor persons if the new Marriage Bill, framed by Mr. A. P. Herbert, is passed through Parliament.

If the Bill is passed as it stands the Law Society Committees will be inundated with poor persons petitions, so that the whole organisation will have to be reconsidered.

They anticipate this increase through the clause of the Bill which allows three years' desertion as a good ground for divorce.

## RADIO BROADCAST

Studio Recital by Winifred Lawson

### CHILDREN'S CONCERT

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12.30 Pianoforte Recital by Benno Moisevitich, with Songs by Mavis Bennett (Soprano).

1 p.m. Time and Weather. 1.03 Light Orchestral Music.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40 A Light Recital by Webster Booth (Tenor).

1.53 p.m. Debroy Somers Band. 2.15 p.m. Close Down.

5 p.m. Relay of Dance Music from the Hongkong Hotel Roof-Garden. 6 p.m. From the Studio. A Children's Concert.

6.30 A Military Band Concert. Clarinet Concerto No. 1 (Weber). ...Garde Republicaine Band of France; Bells of St. Mary's (Adams), Annie Laurie... Gladys Watkins (Carillon); Swastika March (Klohr), Entry of the Boyards (Halvorsen, arr. Winterbottom)... Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards; Rokoko Love Song (Meyer-Helmund); Had you but known (Denza-Bruggemann)...

Richard Tauber (Tenor); Ship Ahoy March (arr. MacKenzie), Set Songs Medley (No. 3), (arr. Vaughan Williams)... Massed Bands of the Royal Marines: (a) Piece en forme d'Habanera (Havel-Le Duc), (b) Study in Thirds (Scriabin, arr. Szigeti)... Joseph Szigeti (Violin); The Jolly Roger (Dewar-McCall); Sing a Song (Hes)... Massed Bands.

7.15 p.m. Rannara at the Piano. Gershwin Medley; Two For Tonight! Piano Medley; Miracles sometimes happen.

7.30 p.m. Stock Quotations and Exchange Market. 7.35 p.m. By the Sleepy Lagoon (Eric Coates), played by Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra.

7.40 p.m. From the Studio. A Recital by Winifred Lawson (Soprano), Lindsay A. Lafford at the Piano.

Foreign Songs—1. Jeunes Fillettes (arr. Weckert); 2. Mon Ham-eau; 3. Le coeur de Marie... Jacques Dalcroze; 4. Le Grand... (Theo Botrel).

English Songs—1. One Morning so early... (Duck); 2. The Spring has come... (M. Valerie White); 3. Our little home... (Eric Coates).

8 p.m. Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.03 From the Studio. A Talk by Lee Wai-long on Football. (Chinese).

8.25 A Relay from the Lee Theatre (Chinese). 11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.B.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles. 8.05 p.m. Variety.

Organ Solo—Six Great Melodies—No. 2... Harold Ramsay, Vocal; Empty Saddles... Bing Crosby; Vocal—Twilight Serenade... Clarrie Wright; Instrumental—Wedding Chimes... The Brothers Bertini (Banjo and Guitar Duo); Vocal—Time on my hands... Denny Dennis; Vocal—I've got you under my skin... Frances Day; Instrumental—Serenade... La Argentinah (Castanets Solo); Vocal—Melody Trumps No. 2... The Four Aces; Hawaiian—Tropical Hulas, On the dreamy Moana shore... South Sea Islanders.

Variety—Sandy Powell's 1936 Road Show... Sandy Powell and Company; Organ Solo—Fifty Years of Song... Terence Casey.

8.55 p.m. London News and Announcements. 9.15 p.m. Viennese Waltzes (Recordings).

9.23 p.m. "Food for Thought"—Three Shows on Talks on Matters of Topical Interest. (Electrical Recording).

9.45 p.m. Leslie Jeffries and His Orchestra. Le Cygne (The Swan), (Saint-Saens); Dance of the Icicles (Kennedy Russell); The Frolicsome Hare (Ashworth Hope); Springtime Serenade (Joany Heyken); The Balkan Princess (Paul A. Rubens).

10 p.m. London, Big Ben. "The Table under the Tree." Written by Wilfrid Rooks-Ley. Produced by A. W. Hanson. With music played by Walford Hyden and his Orchestra. (Electrical Recording).

10.47 p.m. Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Unbelievable; Drop in next time you're passing; Did you mean it; Waltz—Have you forgotten so soon?

11 p.m. Close Down.

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# STAR SIAMESE BADMINTON TEAM TO VISIT H. K.

## Want To Appear In Exhibitions During May

### WILL ALSO DEMONSTRATE A NOVEL GAME

New Project By Siamese Trade Commissioner

(By "Veritas")

Mr. Vilas Osatanada, Siamese Trade Commissioner, who was responsible for introducing leading Siamese tennis players to Hongkong a year ago, is planning to have a party of badminton players visit the Colony from Siam early in May, and hopes, with the co-operation of the Hongkong Badminton Association, to have them appear in public exhibitions of the game against local exponents.

Mr. Vilas says that the standard of badminton in Siam is high—higher than that of tennis, which indicates a real treat for Colony badminton enthusiasts.

Only the assurance of the Badminton Association to assist in arranging for exhibition matches is required to make the visit of the Siamese a certainty, and there is little doubt but that the Association will welcome such an opportunity.

Six players will make the trip, each one being recognised as a first class exponent of the game.

The squad will be led by Chai Shaw as captain and will include his brother, Chai Shaw, P. Han, H. B. Ban Lue, B. Ban Chong and J. Chome. Among them are students of law and railway officials who have just completed their studies. They will be a young bunch of fellows, eager to display Siamese badminton prowess in Hongkong for the first time.

#### WILL DEMONSTRATE SIAMESE TRADITIONAL GAME

In addition they will be prepared to give demonstrations of the famous and traditional Siamese game of Ta Krao. The game has never before been seen in this Colony, but as a spectacle it is remarkable.

It has some affinity to the well-known Chinese game of kicking the shuttlecock, only in this case a ball is used, made of cane skin, so wound that when finished, it is perforated. It is about one-third the size of a football, and the ingenious manner in which the players gain control over it is said to startle strangers to the game when they first see it played.

Mr. Vilas receives a favourable response from the Hongkong Badminton Association, and is certain to do, he will immediately send for the players who will arrive in Hongkong early in May. They will probably stay a full week or more, and if their visit is a success, they may go to other places on the China coast.

Though by that time the local badminton season will have ended, it will not be difficult to arouse interest in this visit of such expert players for it will enable Hongkong to assess much more accurately its own standard of play.

#### GOOD H.K. TEAM AVAILABLE

With men like P. K. Hui, Patrick Wong, K. L. Yung, M. A. Oliveira, T. C. Lee, T. J. Ong, J. J. Remedios, M. A. Silva, S. P. Chan and others of a near calibre, Hongkong will (Continued on Page 9.)

#### Colony Badminton Championships

### P. K. HUI REACHES A FINAL

(By "Veritas")

P. K. Hui took such complete command of the court in last night's mixed doubles badminton championship semi-final in which he and Miss U. Khoo beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva 15-3, 15-4, that the University "Ace" was able to score points at will.

Hui had Carvalho rushing from corner to corner in vain attempts to pick up his brilliantly placed drives: when Carvalho did succeed in making a return from them it only created an opening for an easy smash or a gentle tap over the net to a vacant spot of the court.

The Recreio pair were wholly out-paced and out-played. Carvalho was a willing worker and never gave up trying to counter Hui's adroit court-craft, but Miss Silva lost confidence in herself and did not play up to form.

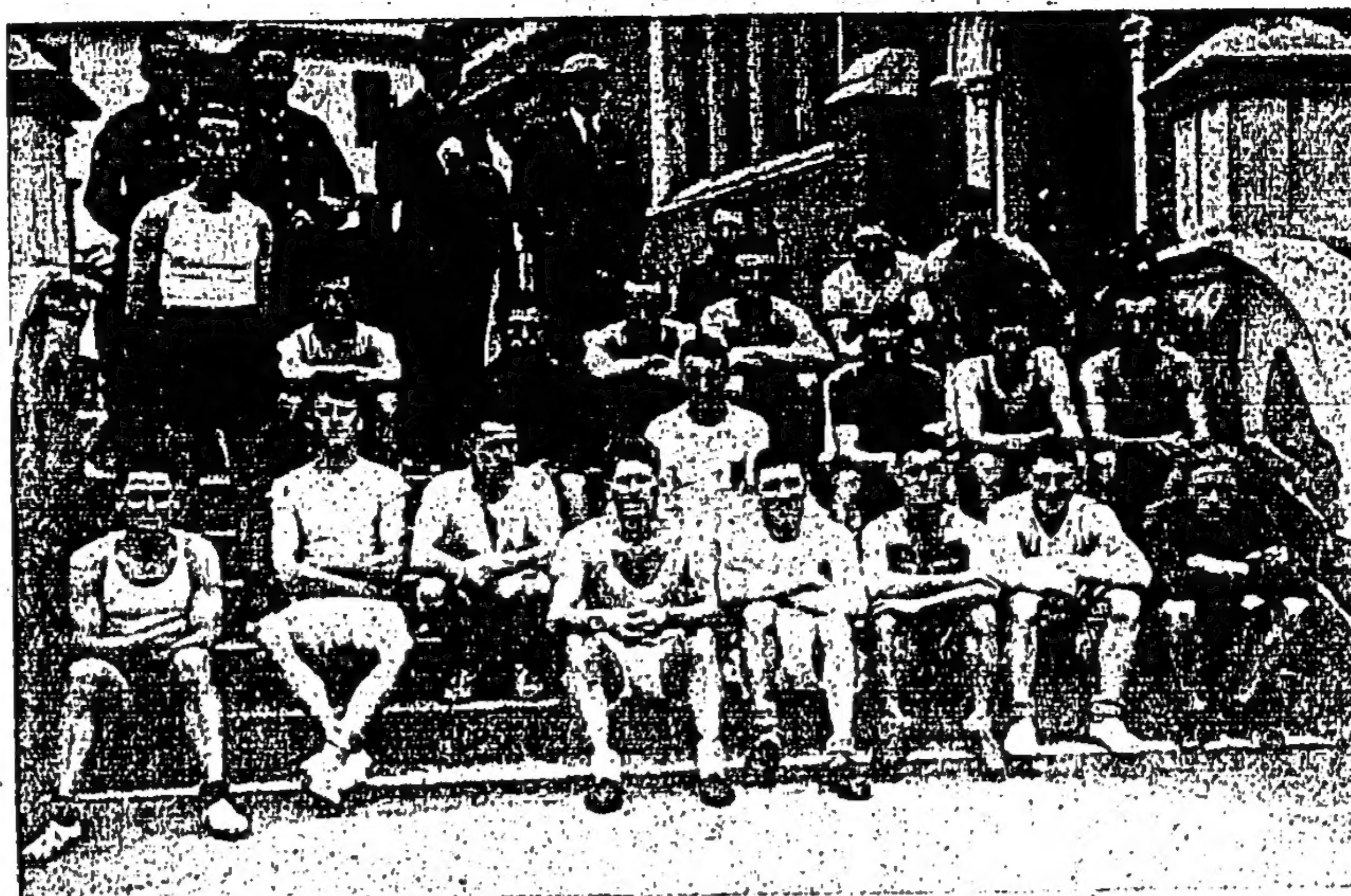
Neither was Miss Khoo seen at her best, though she did make some useful shots. Chiefly, though, the match developed into a contest between the two men from the rear of the court, and Hui's superiority was never in doubt.

After two-all had been called in the first game, Hui and Miss Khoo scored five points in a row before the Recreio pair secured their third ace. From that point the Varsity players went right away, winning eight successive points for the game.

They enjoyed an even greater run of success in the second game. After trailing 1-2, they piled on 13 points to reach game-ball two and then lost service. Carvalho and Miss Silva then snatched a couple of aces, but the match was rapidly ended on the next service delivery.

A much closer encounter was anticipated, but the event found the losers somewhat below expectations, while Hui and Miss Khoo could do nothing wrong.

To-morrow night's final will be a different thing, for in M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, Hui and his partner will meet somebody worthy of crossing swords with them.



Competitors in the Kowloon Marathon race run on Tuesday, grouped on the steps of St. Andrew's Church before the start of the event which was won for the second year by Rifleman Hamilton. (Photo: Yuen Chun Studio).

### WRETCHED SOCCER IN CHARITY CUP REPLAY

#### IRELAND BEATS WALES

(By "Veritas")

Ireland . . . 1 Wales . . . 0

(Note)

It needed a very strong sense of duty yesterday to sit through this International Charity Cup replay to the bitter end. It was one of the dullest games staged at the Kowloon Football Club this season, and the weather didn't help matters. A cold wind drove in from Lyceum Pass bringing with it rain and a general atmosphere of unpleasantness. Not for a long time have I been so pleased to hear the final whistle in a football match as in this case.

Ireland won only by the odd goal, but they had plenty to spare and if they had shown anything approaching reasonable powers of finish they would have piled on another four or five. The major share of the offensives went to them, but even against a pair of backs who were not always sure about what they were doing, Ireland (in this case the Royal Ulster Rifles) could make no serious threat to the Welsh goal.

Wales suffered even worse in attack where only Duffield showed any idea of constructive and progressive football. Grindley was in hopeless shooting form and Sullivan was hardly better.

Wales owed a lot to Evans and North, the wing halves, who tackled finely, but behind them neither Keating nor Wheeler suggested anything as an impenetrable barrier. Nevertheless they recovered quickly, and this, together with the Irish forwards' slowness in seizing openings, allowed them to save situations which threatened disaster.

ANDERSON ALONE Anderson played neat football in the Irish attack but was poorly supported. Ferguson played a bolsterous game on the left wing and on odd occasions sent across a likely centre. But both he and Irwin indulged in too much shooting from long distances, the sort of thing Rowlands can always handle.

All four wingers, though, suffered in one common respect. They had to run back for the ball too often. This was largely due to the poor passing of Campbell and Wanklyn the respective centre-halves, both of whom played as though they were sick to death at the sight of a football. And perhaps they cannot be blamed for that!

Stevens, as usual, was brilliantly confident and sure in all he did. Fleckering was more slip-dash, but, like the June-Bug, he got there just the same. Connor didn't have a single anxious moment in goal.

But the general impression I got was that all the players had gone completely stale, and were not frantically interested how the game finished.

The deciding goal came in the first half, when Moore completed a right wing movement by neatly heading past Rowlands. After that the game settled down into sheer kicking, and was, for the most part, a disconcerting scramble for the ball which, after it had been secured, none of the players appeared to know what to do with it next.

Ireland meets England in the final. Ireland will have to play 100 per cent in order to hold a candle to the English team.

#### Olympic Swim Expenses

The Olympic Games Swimming management committee's balance-sheet was submitted to the Amateur Swimming Association council meeting at Harrogate recently.

A delegate said he understood that certain swimmers' out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the Games had not yet been paid.

This was confirmed by the English backstroke champion, John Bedford, who said he had made oral and written applications for his expenses.

The council authorised the committee to meet forthwith to investigate the matter and report to the A.S.A. Committee, who in turn would report to the council.

### THE SUN SHINES AT LAST

#### FOR TO-DAY'S TENNIS

BUT IT MAY NOT BE PLAYED

(By "Veritas")

The little red flag which warns Hongkong Cricket Club members that the ground is closed, was flying from the pavilion early this morning, but it is possible in view of the indicated improvement in weather conditions, that this will be removed and play in the Colony tennis championships will be possible to-day.

The much-desired sun broke through a thick blanket of clouds shortly after nine o'clock, and if it continues the ground should dry quickly.

One hopes sincerely that play will be possible, for an exceptionally attractive programme is scheduled.

Tsui Wai-pui returns to the fray, meeting R. L. Withington in the Army interesting tie is the clash between Clarke and Crawford the K.C.C. exponents. In their many friendly meetings at the K.C.C., Crawford has enjoyed a slight edge over Clarke and I expect to see him make use of this advantage to-day. He will of his attacks, Clarke's backhand which is distinctly vulnerable.

Leung Ping-chiu, whom the Chinese Recreation Club reckon to be one of the most difficult players in the club to overcome, meets J. D. Milne, and there are sure to be some fascinating exchanges, for Milne, though a trifle unorthodox, is a fine, hard hitter and will not be easily overcome.

Howard, who received a walk-over from J. D. Holmes earlier in the week opposes Ng Kam-chuen, but I don't think the Craigengower player has very great hopes of success.

#### OPEN SINGLES

G. E. Clarke v. A. Crawford; R. L. Withington v. Tsui Wai-pui; W. J. Howard v. Ng Kam-chuen; J. D. Milne v. Leung Ping-chiu. CLUB SINGLES HANDICAP M. Pash v. F. A. Joseph. CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP L. T. Rido v. W. M. Barton; H. Owen Hughes v. A. S. Reid; A. K. MacKenzie v. J. F. Lyle. CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES F. G. Nigel and R. M. King v. R. G. L. Olliphant and A. M. Mack.

### HAGEN AND THE RYDER CUP

Non-playing Captain

Walter Hagen has been appointed non-playing captain of this year's American Ryder Cup team which is coming to England to defend the Cup at Southport and Alnsdale on June 29 and 30.

Hagen has always been a playing member of the U.S.A. side since the inception of the contest in 1927. He has been on the winning side on four occasions in the foursomes and won

three of the four singles matches in which he played. His one defeat in the singles was at the hands of George Duncan, who won by 10 and 8, in 1929.

The other members of the team are to be selected shortly. Hagen is at present touring New Zealand.

### International Tournament On Sunday Next

The final match in the International Hockey Tournament between England and Portugal is to be on the U.S.R.C. ground on Sunday next at 3.30 p.m.

This is the second successive year England has participated in the final against Portugal, last year the Portuguese winning by a solitary goal. But I think England is certain to reverse the result this time.

A. P. Sousa, I am told, is under doctor's orders and will be unable to play, while rumour has it that there is trouble in the Portuguese camp

with regard to the selection of the team. If it is of any help to them, I would like to suggest the following: U. B. Sousa; E. L. Gosano and Dr. Rodriguez; R. Marques, L. Oliveira and T. Alves; F. Nolasco, J. Pinto, B. Gosano, N. Beltrao and A. Angelo.

I doubt if the above team can be strengthened. England will call upon the following: Benwell; Guest and Silleman; Brown, Davies and Parker; S. Fowler, Garthwaite, Wright, Wraith and A. N. Other.

### H.K.S.R.A. IN FINAL FOR THE THIRD TIME

(By "The Pilgrim")

A hockey match of more than passing interest was played on the Marina ground last Tuesday when, in the semi-final of the Inter-Unit Army Tournament, the H.K.S.R.A. beat the Royal Welch Fusiliers by a single goal which Lieut. Garthwaite scored in the second half. The H.K.S.R.A. have won this trophy two years in succession, and now make their third appearance in the final.

The game started at a cracking pace with the H.K.S.R.A. making most of the attacks. Most of the players appeared to be excited by the occasion and took some time to settle down. Lieut. Garthwaite played a keen, thoughtful game and broke through more than once but had his final shots brilliantly saved by Reid in goal. The Brigade looked good for goals, but excellent defensive measures were applied by L/Cpl. Palmer and L/Sgt. Cheley. Garthwaite got through again from Khuda Bux's pass, but shot wide when a goal looked certain.

Play was transferred to the other end where Sergt. Dandy made a punisely open goal. Short corners followed for the Fusiliers, but they were not turned to account, and after the interval Reid was quickly called upon to save from Khuda Bux. The Brigade forwards were fast but they found difficulty in out-witting the Fusiliers' defence. Cpl. Sharpe in particular doing excellent work at centre-half. However, Garthwaite eventually secured an opening and ran through to score, though it was not a clean goal, Reid mistaking a shot which he looked like saving.

Lieut. Garthwaite was the leading scorer with three goals, and was well supported by Khuda Bux on the right wing. Kishen Singh and Bachan Singh were the pick of the defenders, whilst Reid in the full-backs' goal was masterly. Jones, Sharpe and Tucker formed a trustworthy intermediate trio for the losers, but the forwards lacked good sharp shooters.

### Contest For Mamak Title Tightens

Central British Association is the only team to have completed its fixtures in the Mamak Tournament, and head the "A" Division without the loss of a game.

In the "B" Division, Radio Sports Club, the present champions, and Argonauta are in the running for leadership, the Radio being one point ahead with a game in hand. Argonauta have to play "D" Coy. Ulster Rifles, and are certain of victory, while Radio meet K.I.T.C. If Radio are beaten, the Argonauta will be leaders and will meet the C.B.A. in the best of three games for the championship.

I believe an extension of time has been granted these teams to complete their fixtures.

#### Motherwell Beats Arbroath

London, Mar. 31. Motherwell and Arbroath figured in a Scottish Football League match to-day on the former's ground. Motherwell won comfortably by three goals to one. —Reuter.

### Argonauta Get Rude Shock

HELD TO A DRAW

(By "The Pilgrim")

On the K.I.T.C. ground last Sunday, the Argonauta "A" shared two goals with the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club "B" in an interesting Mamak Tournament hockey match. The Portuguese, who, up to then, had only lost one game, fielded a weak team and were given a rude shock.

Argonauta started the match one short, E. L. Gosano being 20 minutes late, and it was during this period the Kowloon Indians found the net through D. Noronha, who beat Sousa with a first-time.

The Kowloon Indians enjoyed the better of the exchanges in the first half, but with the arrival of Gosano, Argonauta took up the offensive and held it for practically the rest of the game. They were rewarded when E. L. Gosano equalised from a short corner. Ten minutes from the end Narain Singh broke through the Argonauta defence, but his flick shot was nicely saved by Sousa. The Portuguese did the attacking in the closing minutes but without reward.

Bachan Singh at centre-half, gave a magnificent display for the Indians, while other members in the defence were K. Hussain at left half and Mamak at right back. Narain Singh led the attack cleverly, but the remainder of the line disappointed.

Argonauta were without five of the closing minutes and the hard game was played. Beltrao played a hard game as pivot and T. Alves on his left was prominent. E. L. Gosano and Xavier the full backs were in their best form, but the attack lacked understanding.

The Argonauta losing this point has placed the Radio Sports Club in a very strong position.

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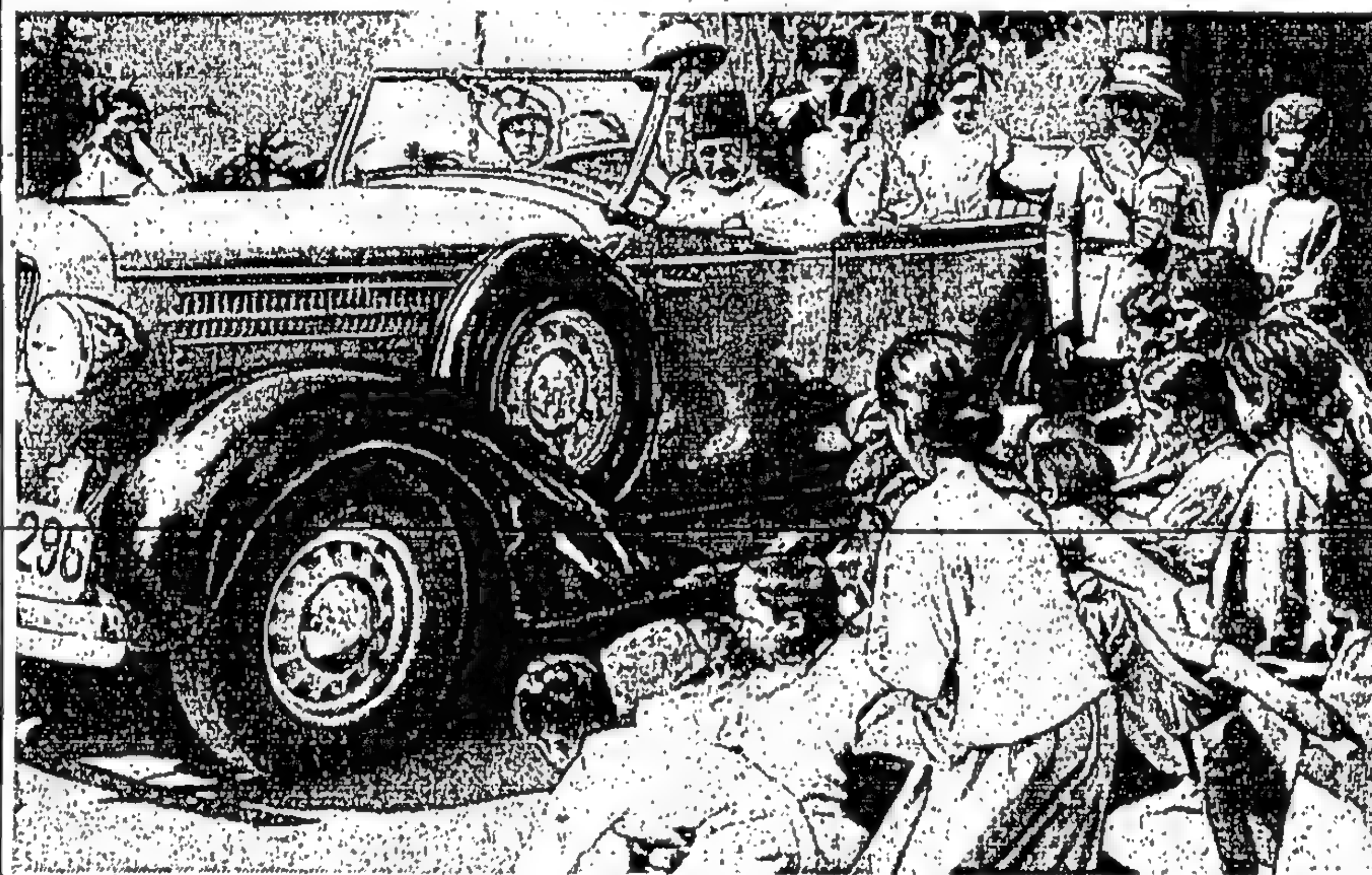
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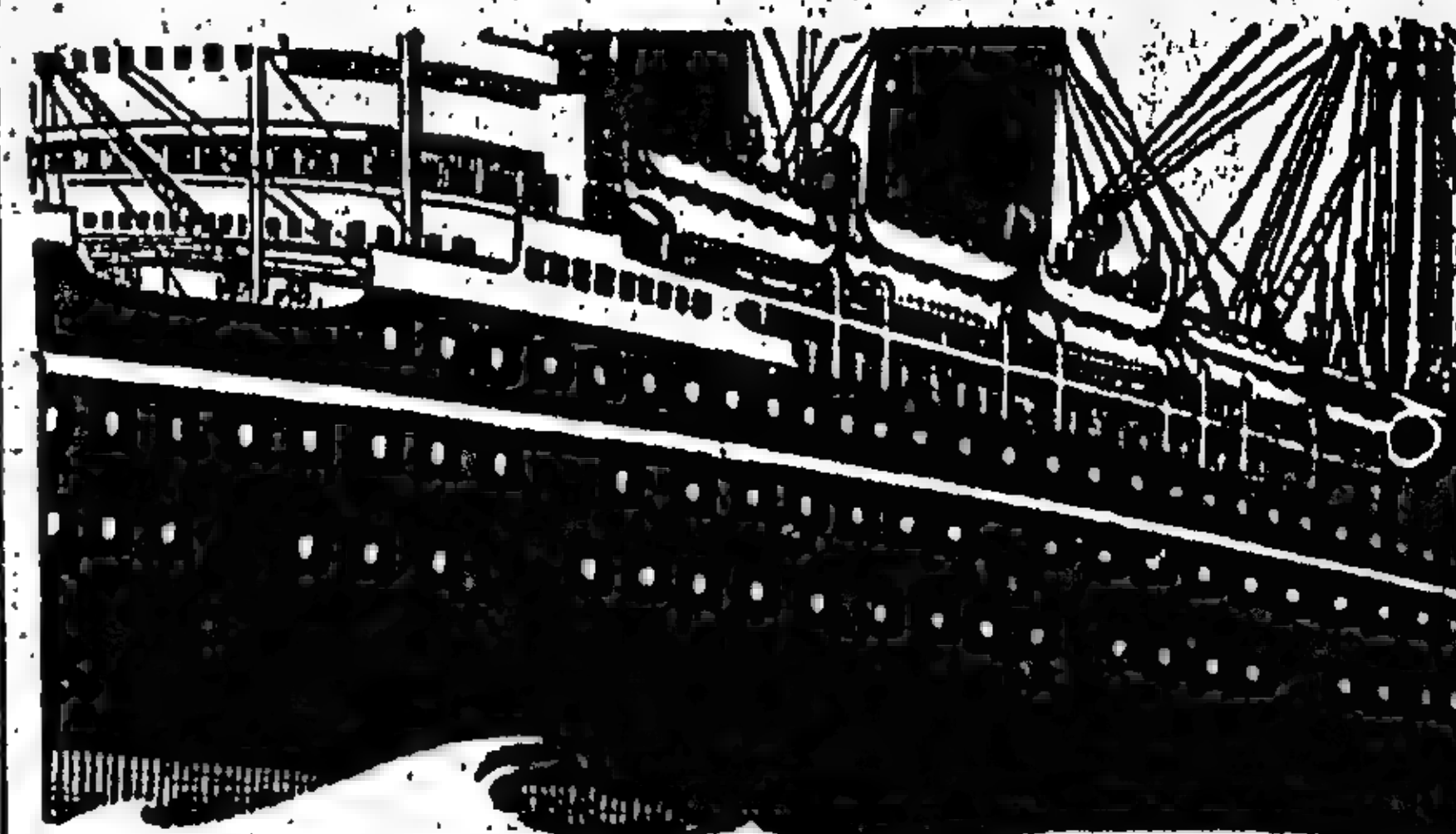
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RANPURA	17,000	15th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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SANTHA	8,000	22nd May	Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	5th June	Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong Kong About	Destination.
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SIRALALA	8,000	1st Apr. 5 p.m.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
Rajputana	17,000	1st Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
NELLORE	7,000	4th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
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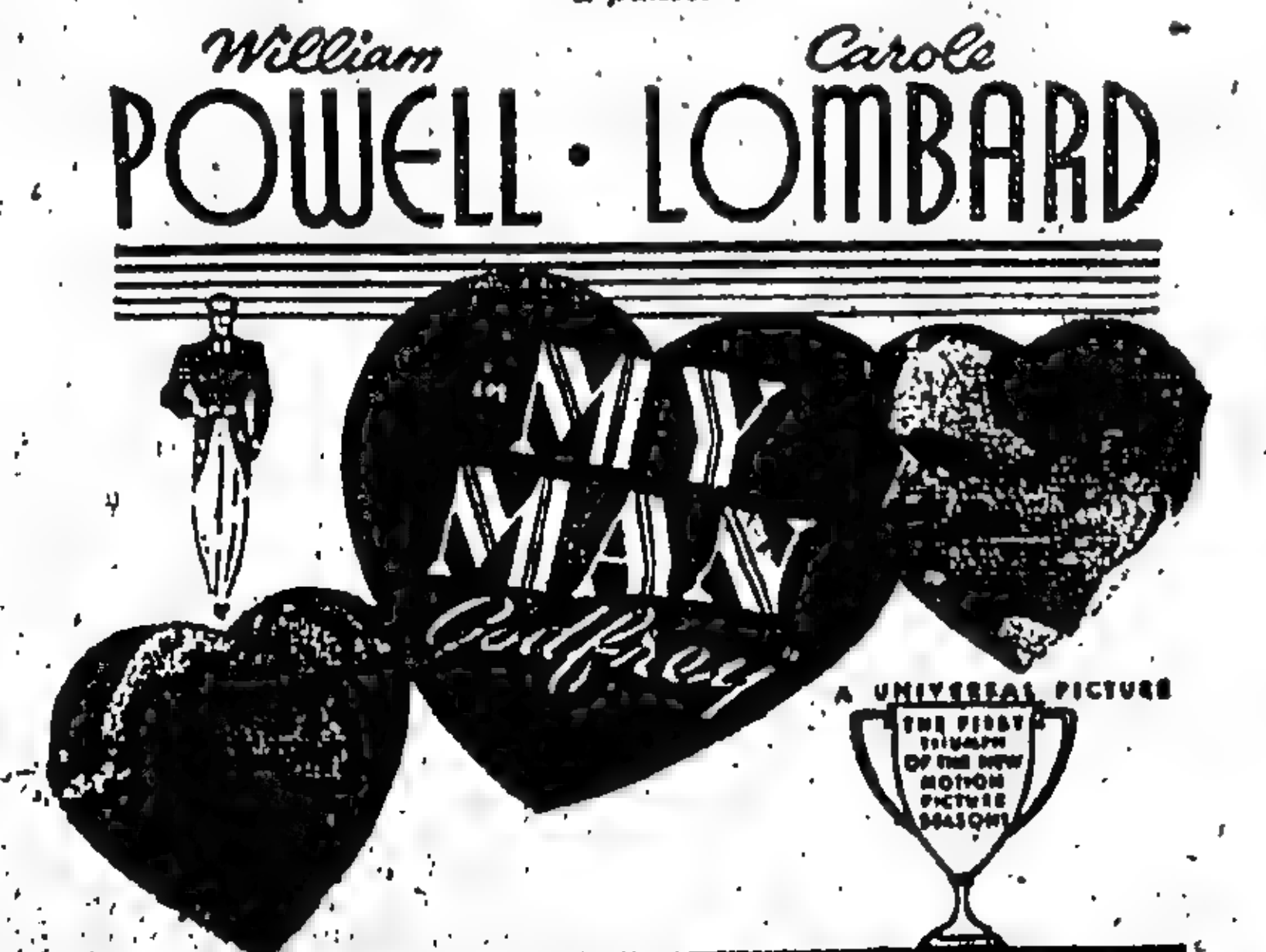


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### Led Survivors Through Gas to Safety

JOHN EDWARD SAMUELS, a hero of the Gresford pit disaster in 1934, when 265 men were killed, has been awarded by the King the Edward Medal for conspicuous gallantry in leading survivors to safety through a gas-laden atmosphere.

Only a few days ago, Samuels was saved from unemployment.

He accepted the offer of an appointment as gardener with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Alexander, of Lydney, Gloucestershire. Mrs. Samuels is to be cook, and a bungalow has been provided for the couple to live in.

#### TURNED BACK—TO DIE

Here is the story of Samuels' courage, as told in the official London Gazette, which announced the award: "The sole survivors of those working underground were six men, of whom Samuels, a coal-mining machine-man, was one."

"They had to fight their way for nearly half a mile through an atmosphere so laden with gas that at an early stage some of the party turned back to seek some other way out, only to meet their deaths. At various points they fell behind, and the temptation to leave them to their fate must have been very strong."

#### "TERRIFYING"

"Throughout Samuels took a leading part in encouraging them, in advising what should be done or attempted, and in giving other help, staying behind to render assistance at a time when any delay in escaping was fraught with grave danger."

"The Chief Inspector of Mines, in the report just published on the explosion, states that Samuels summed up the position and displayed qualities of leadership in a most terrifying situation."

"And there seems to be no doubt that some at least of the party owe their lives to his coolness and courage."

#### MEMORY REMAINS

Samuels was one of the few men to escape unhurt, but the memory of his experience remained—and he has never entered a colliery since.

He and his wife went to Beer, Devon, where work as a gardener helped him to forget.

Then tragedy followed. Samuels' employer was found shot dead. Samuels had to look for another job.

### PHONE-BOOKS DIE YOUNG OVER THERE

OFFICIAL evidence suggests that the users of public telephones in Britain are gentler, lighter fingered, less passionate and less hectic than their brothers and sisters in the United States.

Such violence is employed in a phone box on the corner of Times Square, New York—the most used box in the United States—that the telephone directory books there have to be changed every 96 hours.

An official of the London telephone service was shocked at the news.

"Why, in the average public call-box here," he said, "the books last six months."

"The most used phone boxes in London are at Piccadilly Circus and Oxford Circus; and even here it is only occasionally that directories have to be renewed at intervals of a week or fortnight."

### Australia Fears Loss Of Koalas

Melbourne, Mar. 15.

The alarming decline in the "teddy bear" population of Australia has been checked through co-operative efforts of the government, private individuals and zoological societies.

Until recently it was feared that the most picturesque and appealing of Australian fauna, the Koala bear, was doomed to extinction. But the authorities in the eastern states, the natural home of the koala, now report that the decline has been checked and that the attention now being devoted to them will lead during 1937 to an increase in their number.

Two factors were responsible mainly for the diminution of the "teddy bears": the depredations of foxes and the expansion of settlement. The fox is the natural enemy of the little animals, settlement and cultivation destroy gum trees, the leaves of which are essential as food. New homes are being found for koalas dispossessed by settlements; a price has been placed on the heads of foxes. Koalas are protected by law throughout Australia even in Queensland where they are estimated to number several hundreds of thousands.

To kill a koala in a game preserve leaves the offender liable to a fine of £20, with a further penalty of £5 for each animal destroyed. In the case of killings other than in game preserves, the penalty of a £10 fine, plus the value of the animal.

Serious and well-planned efforts to concentrate the koalas in special preserves, and to maintain their food supply, are now being made. Efforts in Victoria are typical of those in all koala states. Public-spirited citizens have established a special preserve for koalas on Phillip Island and the state government did likewise on Quail Island.

Other preserves on a smaller scale have been established by zoological societies and in all preserves, special trees have been planted to insure there shall be no shortage of gum leaves, without which the koala cannot live.

Further interest in the preservation of the koala led recently to an embarrassing demand on the government that extensive aboriginal lands be set aside for the "teddy bears". The government refused the request, since "prior duty" is to the aborigines and their lands are held inviolable.

Foxes have been declared "vermin" and landowners are under penalty to destroy foxes on their lands. Statewide "fox drives" are held annually.—United Press.

### Church Leader Dies in Nazi Camp

Vienna, Mar. 25.  
Imprisoned last September in Sachsenburg Concentration Camp, Dr. Weissler, leader of the Professional Church Administration which protested openly against Hitler's plans for reorganizing the German Protestant Church, has been found hung.

Friends in Switzerland, according to the Swiss Evangelical Press Service, find it hard to believe that he committed suicide. Recently he was in solitary confinement, but at the time of his death he was under normal camp discipline.

### HAD THREE WEEKS LEFT TO LIVE

INQUEST STORY OF PROPHECY THAT WAS FULFILLED

FULFILLMENT of a son's prophecy that his mother would die within three weeks was disclosed at the Kingston inquest on Mrs. Miriam Hill, 66, of Wolverton-avenue, Kingston.

Mrs. Hill died at her home, and the funeral was stopped by the coroner for a post-mortem examination.

Dr. Eric Gardner, pathologist, gave evidence that death was due to heart failure following high blood pressure. There were indications that Mrs. Hill had been addicted to an excessive amount of alcohol.

A detective said he was satisfied there was nothing of a criminal nature in connection with the death.

The woman's husband, William John Hill, of Walton-road, East Molesey, declared there had been much bitterness in the family. Early in December, he went on, he was "botted out of his house at New Malden." His wife and son Albert were going to Kingston.

"I was happy with my wife until Miss Alice Gent came to stay with us," he added.

Alleging that Miss Gent prescribed whisky and brandy for his wife, he said: "It went in half tumblerfuls."

GARDEN WORSHIP MEETINGS  
George Frederick Packman, of Roseberry-road, Norbiton, Mr. Hill's eldest son by her first marriage, stated that his mother and step-father were both spiritualists. They had meetings in a workshop in the back garden.

"My half-brother, Albert Hill, professed to be a medium, but he was not a medium," he added.

"I heard my mother had said that Albert had gone 'under control' and told her she had three weeks to live, and that she was to make a will."

"She had no fear of death—she was only too ready to die," said Packman. "In less than three weeks I heard she was dead."

"I had heard she had been seriously ill, and I had been told she was given nearly a bottle of whisky a day and ice cream."

Albert Hill in evidence denied that his mother drank excessively. "Some months ago my father went under 'control,' and his spirit doctor told him to tell Miss Gent that whisky would be good for my mother," he declared.

The jury's verdict was in accordance with the medical evidence.

### JUSTICE TO WIN AFTER 23 YEARS

Tokyo, Mar. 5.  
After spending 23 years in prison, an innocent man, now well advanced in years, tracked down and wrung a confession from the real culprit.

Takemitsu Yoshida was convicted in 1913 of murdering a man and robbing him on a road in Aichi prefecture. Testimony against him was by Loshiei Kitagawa and Shotaro Kaida, who said that Yoshida instigated the assault and subsequently killed the victim with a bamboo flute.

Yoshida was sent to the Akita prison. Released in 1935, he set out to hunt down his two former friends. He found Kitagawa at once, and Kitagawa readily wrote a confession saying that Kaida had forced him to testify against Yoshida.

Finding Kaida was more difficult and more than a year elapsed before a lead of any information sent Yoshida on the right trail. A newspaper, interested in the efforts of the aging man to vindicate himself before death, located Kaida in Saitama prefecture.

Yoshida went immediately to the designated village. Coming into the town, Yoshida recognized in a street peddler his long-hunted enemy. Kaida started to run, but Yoshida caught him and began beating him. Kaida pulled out his confession, later put on paper. With the document, Yoshida expects to be exonerated at a retrial.—United Press.

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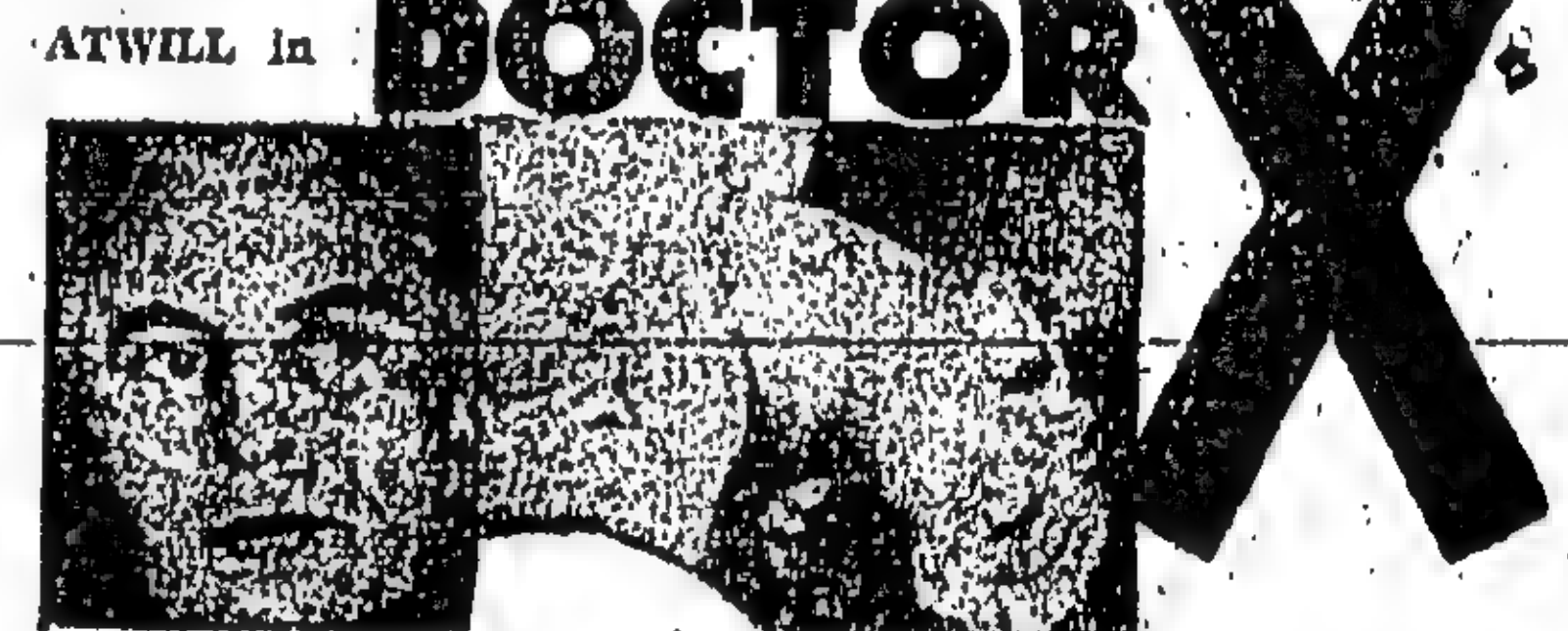
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Sydney, N.S.W., Mar. 1.  
A petrified cat listed among the possessions of G. H. Stelling on his arrival from London, puzzled customs officers here.

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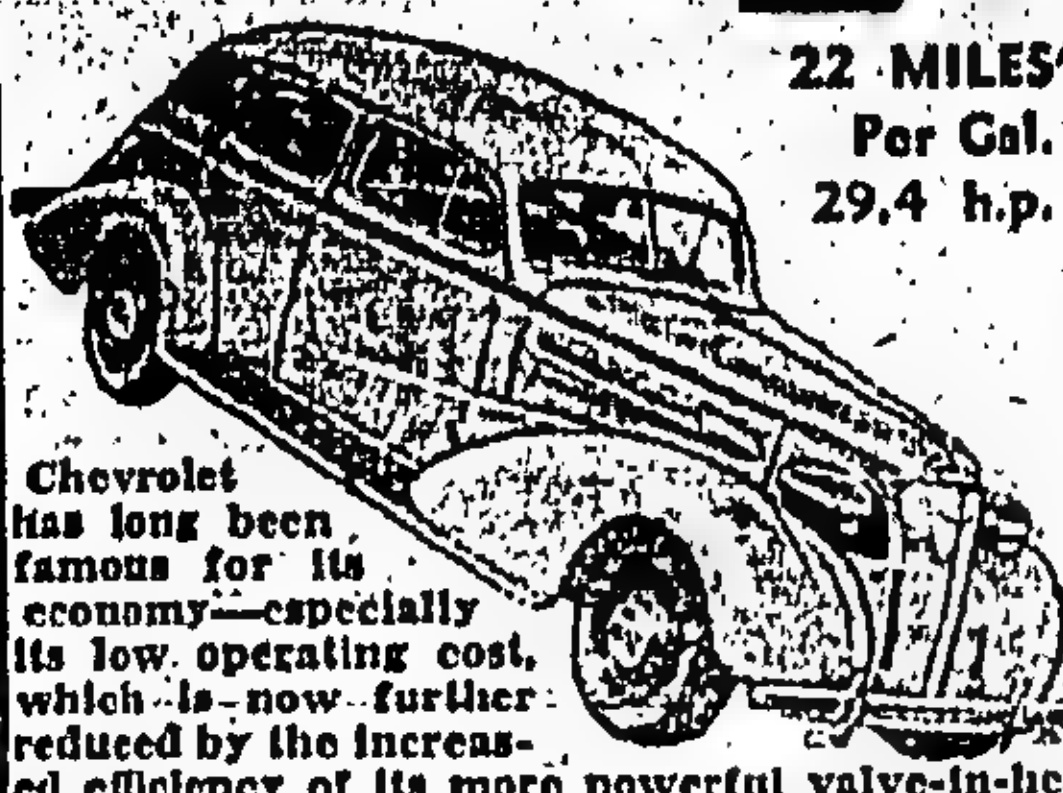
Mrs. Stelling disliked the macabre specimen, so Stelling decided to present it to a friend in Sydney. He thereby set the customs men an unprecedented problem.

After debating whether it most nearly resembled livestock or a work of art, they decided that it could enter Australia provided the quarantine officers certified it free from disease. They passed it and it was officially cleared as a "healthy dead cat."

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## Italians Must Help Staggering Rebels To Avert Disaster

### Annihilation Threatening Entire Nationalist Army in Spain

Hendaye, Apr. 1.

The combined military and diplomatic offensive, extending to three continents, is gravely threatening the cause of the Spanish rebels, observers here believe. The Nationalist armies apparently, at least for the moment, are in the gravest plight since the inception of the civil war.

It seems undeniable that there is widespread disaffection in Nationalist territory, including Spanish Morocco and the strongholds at Valladolid, Salamanca, Burgos, Malaga, Algeciras and Seville.

Loyalists are threatening to annihilate the Nationalist armies, including thousands of Italians and Germans, on the southern front.

The Madrid troops have freed the vital Valencia road from immediate menace; they are threatening a new offensive against Burgos; they claim aeroplanes have destroyed two rebel headquarters in the Saragossa area; and finally, a reconstituted Government fleet has steamed into the Mediterranean on daring raids.

More important still, it seems the Loyalists are now supreme in the air.

A further blow to the insurgents' cause is the British and French warning that neither power will tolerate interference with its shipping. Moreover, Mexico, always sympathetic to the Government, has decided to assist the Loyalists on a large scale.

Barring a change in the fortunes of war, the Nationalists' only hope seemingly lies in the possibility of Italy dispatching additional tens of thousands of fighting men and munitions to Spain, the advisability of which Signor Benito Mussolini, Italian Dictator, is now reported to be considering.—United Press.

#### LOYALIST SUCCESSES

Madrid, Mar. 31.  
A communique issued at mid-day reports that Government troops have captured several important strategic positions dominating the insurgent line near Seville on the Guadalquivir front, in a continuation of the advance in which Mulario, north-west of Bihuega, was captured.

Several air squadrons collaborated in bombing the insurgents' rear.

From the Cordoba front it is learned that intense fighting is proceeding north-west of Pozoblanco. Late yesterday the Government forces captured Villa Nueva junction, which was surrounded on three sides by infantrymen and subjected to an intense aerial bombardment. The defence of the position was conducted by Italian troops, many of whom were captured.

The Government claims that 340 lorries, bringing reinforcements and supplies, were either destroyed by aircraft or captured during the past three days' operations.

The new positions west of Pozoblanco give the Government troops a firmer grip on important centres, including the Almaden mercury mines. The insurgents have expelled 300 women from San Sebastian. They have gone into Government-controlled territory by ship. The refugees report a food shortage in San Sebastian.—Reuter.

#### WOMAN SPY SENTENCED

Barcelona, Mar. 31.  
The People's Tribunal to-day sentenced the 25-year-old dancer, known as Vera Veronich, a French subject, to 20 years' imprisonment on her conviction on a charge of espionage.—Reuter.

#### BETTER GUNNERS

Gibraltar, Mar. 31.  
Part of the Spanish Government's fleet between Valencia and Alicante has been seen practising gunfire, smoke-screens and other manoeuvres. There are clear indications that there are now expert gunners aboard the ships, which were lacking when they were bombed at Algeciras a few months ago.

A Seville newspaper alleges that the Government squadron is now manned by Russian, American and French naval technicians.—Reuter.

#### INNOCENT VICTIMS

Hendaye, Apr. 1.  
Rebel planes bombed Durango last night and are reported to have killed 160 persons, most of them women and children, including 23 who were in a church.—United Press.

## Badly Holed Ship Safe In Hongkong

### 187 Passengers Safely Transferred To Launch

The river steamer Kong Ning, which went ashore off White Rock, near Saw Chai Island, shortly after eight o'clock last night, returned to Hongkong about 9 a.m. to-day, according to information obtained from her local agents, the West River Transportation and Trading Co.

Apparently the ship suffered little damage, for she made the voyage on her own steam.

Her passengers, numbering 187, arrived in Hongkong about 5 o'clock this morning by the launch Man Ying, which was specially sent out by the agents for the purpose.

At the time when she went ashore, grave anxiety was felt for her safety in view of her first message, which was to the effect that she was "fast on the rocks but sinking." Men of H.M.S. Daring were recalled to stand by, while No. 4 Police launch was immediately rushed to the scene.

Subsequently, she reported that she had beached off Lin Tin Island, south-west of Castle Peak.

To an unusually dark night it was attributed the cause of the mishap, which occurred in a narrow channel ordinarily used by small river steamers, and less than a mile from the usual course.

#### NO ALARM

The impact was violent enough to throw the Chief Officer, who was asleep, from his bunk. But at no time after the extent of the damage was ascertained was there occasion for any great alarm. The passengers responded to the injunctions of the ship's crew and maintained complete calmness until taken off the vessel.

Fortunately, the mishap occurred at low tide, and the vessel was able later to refloat without any assistance and proceed to Lin Tin where she was beached for temporary repairs.

These were effected by the "holing" the ship's bottom, immediately below the stempost, being plugged. At the next high tide, the Kong Ning refloated and began a cautious journey under her own steam back to the harbour, where she berthed at her usual wharf.

It is likely that the vessel will go into dry dock to-day. Her cargo is being transferred to the Company's other steamer, Kong So, which sails to-morrow morning for Wuchow.

## Arab Leaders Seek Redress

Jerusalem, Mar. 31.  
The Arab Higher Committee has decided to send a delegation to London to plead the Arab cause. The delegation will comprise Jamal Husseini and Dr. Ozattani, both of whom visited London on an identical mission last year.—Reuter.

## New Wanchai Market Open

### Accommodation For 70 Stalls In \$90,000 Trading Centre

The best market both in the Colony and on the mainland—Wanchai Market—was opened for business this morning. Costing about \$90,000 to build, the new market is situated just across the road from the old one in Queen's Road East, occupying the site where Kuhn's Monument formerly stood and a portion of the western side of Admiralty property.

The new building is two storeys in height, and has accommodation for 70 stalls, comprising 22 for meat, 30 for fish, 15 for poultry and 20 for vegetable. There are also special quarters for the caretakers.

Every attention to the question of sanitation has been paid and modern conveniences have been installed. The flooring and the stalls are of terrazzo, thus facilitating the keeping of the place in a continuous state of cleanliness.

There is a cold storage plant for meat in the basement, and another area for poultry baskets, etc., on the first floor. The usual practice of delivery by the main entrance has been dispensed with, and a new system has been instituted. There is now a new lane provided for the purpose.

The new market is up-to-date in every respect and is undoubtedly an asset to the Colony.

## SAIL ON JUBILEE HOLIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. A. W.  
Ingram Will Visit  
Canada

Two well-known and esteemed Australian residents of Hongkong are leaving for Vancouver by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Russia to-morrow on a trip in celebration of their Silver Wedding, recently attained.

They are Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ingram. Mr. Ingram is Secretary of the European Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon and is leaving on six months' furlough.

During his stay in Canada, Mr. Ingram will devote his holiday to attending various Y.M.C.A. development in the Dominion and the United States. Mrs. Ingram will return to Hongkong in about three months. During Mr. Ingram's absence, Mr. W. Ashton will combine the duties of Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Y.M.C.A.

## POLICE RESERVE INSPECTION



Above, the Flying Squad drawn up at the annual inspection of the Police Reserve last evening, at which a warm tribute was paid to the Colony's volunteer policemen by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, who is seen on left taking the salute. (Photo: King's Studio).



## Tilden Loses Three Sets To F. Perry

Detroit, Mar. 31.  
In their barn-storming tour of the United States, Fred Perry to-night defeated the renowned Bill Tilden in straight sets, avenging himself for last night's defeat in a four set struggle with the veteran American ace. Perry won 6-4, 6-4, 6-4. He has thus three victories over Tilden to his credit, but of the 35 matches he has played with Vines, Perry has won only 16.—Reuter.

## INDIAN STRIKE THREAT LOOMING

Anti-Constitution Move  
By Congress Party  
Police Protection  
Offered Workers

New Delhi, Apr. 1.  
Giant demonstrations and a general strike, the closing of all shops and schools, have been organised by the Congress Party to usher in the new Constitution which comes into force to-day.

The Calcutta Corporation has passed a resolution closing all its offices and schools for the day in protest against the Constitution.

Leading newspapers are also observing the holiday.

To counteract these plans, the police have issued an order promising protection to anyone compelled to cease work against his will.

The latest province to form a Cabinet is Assam, where a coalition has been established consisting of two Muslims, one Hindu and one Indian Christian. It has been organised by Sir Syed Ahmad Khan.—Reuter.

#### FORMS MINISTRY

Putna, Mar. 31.  
Mr. Mohammed Yunus, leader of the Moslem Independents, has formed a ministry in Bihar, where the Congress Party refused the responsibility.—Reuter.

#### PROCESSION BANNED

Calcutta, Mar. 31.  
The Government has forbidden the secretary of the Congress Party and five other prominent leaders of that group to organise a giant procession and demonstrations to-morrow against the new Indian Constitution. The procession has been declared illegal.

The Calcutta Corporation has decided to close all offices and schools in a similar protest.—Reuter.

## GERMANY ADVISES BRITAIN

Overseas Empire Needs  
More Population

London, Mar. 31.  
Commenting on the question of Colonies, a German paper declares that the British Dominions and Colonies are at present sparsely populated, and Britain is unable to send men to increase the population overseas.

The paper adds that if Britain wants the Dominions to recover economically, she will have to find men to fill the vast empty spaces from other than people of her own blood.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## BRITISH BUDGET DEFICIT

Defence Expenses To  
Blame For Position

### LARGE DEBT REDUCTION

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Mar. 31.  
Revenue returns for the past financial year, which ended to-day, show a Budget deficit of approximately £3,500,000.

Total realised revenue amounted to £707,289,000 and expenditure £602,886,000, but the latter figure includes £13,127,000 for redemption of debt, so that the current revenue for the year exceeded expenditure by £27,530,000.

Expenditure on defence amounted to approximately £100,000,000, an increase of £7,821,000, compared with the Budget estimate and just over £40,000,000 more than the expenditure in the previous financial year. It is understood that the increase reflects the general acceleration of the defence programme since the Budget was framed and more than accounts for the deficit at the end of the financial year.

The floating debt now stands at £608,130,000, compared with £782,170,000 a year ago.—Reuter Special.

## FEWER BRITISH JOBLESS

Encouraging Figures  
Published At Home

London, Mar. 31.  
There were still 1,600,000 registered unemployed persons in Britain on March 15, but this is 27,000 fewer than the month earlier, and 280,000 fewer than in March of last year.—Reuter Special.

#### OTHER FIGURES

London, Mar. 31.  
The Ministry of Labour estimates on March 15 the number of insured persons in employment in Great Britain at 11,242,000. This was approximately more than the month before and 60,000 more than the year before.

Adverse weather conditions on the day affected the returns, especially in Northern England and Scotland, but nevertheless employment showed an improvement over the previous month in most of the principal industries.

At the same date the number of registered unemployed totalled 1,601,201, comprising 1,359,550 wholly unemployed, 107,677 temporarily off, and 234,974 normally in casual employment, including about 20,000 previously unemployed but registered in March for the first time as a result of the arrangements for second appointed day under the Last Unemployment Assistance Act. A further increase in registration from the same cause may occur in April.

The total of unemployed on March 15, despite additional registration, was 26,044 less than February 22 and 280,330 less than on March 23, 1936.—British Wireless.

## MAKES FRIENDS WITH SZECHUEN

Shanghai, Apr. 1.  
Liu Hsiang, Governor of Szechuan, who has been warmly received by the provincial authorities.

It is stated that his mission is concerned with improving relations between Nanking and General Liu Hsiang, Governor of Szechuan, which have been strained recently.—Reuter.

## JAPAN KEEPS EYE ON CHIANG

Interested In  
Hangchow  
Parleys

## REVOLT IN CHARHAR

Shanghai, Apr. 1.

Both the Chinese and Japanese press this morning devote considerable attention to the Hangchow Conference, where Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is meeting other Chinese military leaders.

The presence of so many military leaders at the Conference is regarded by Chinese commentators as an encouraging sign of military unity, which augurs well for the prospects of "national salvation."

Japanese commentators agree that the Conference is most significant, suggesting that its deliberations confirm "preparation of a first line of defence against Japan."

The Shanghai Nippon declares that plans for co-operation between the former North-Eastern Army, which has now been transferred to Hunan and Anhwei, and the troops of General Han Fuchen, Governor of Shantung, are being discussed.—Reuter.

#### Break From Charhar

Shanghai, Apr. 1.  
Reports from Kalgan state that Mongolians, belonging to the Shingol League of Northern Charhar, have formed an independent "Banner Government."

This move has long been brewing as part of a plan for realising complete separation of Charhar from Chinese control.

A similar government is reported to have been formed by the Charhar League of Mongols, who inhabit territory further south.—Reuter.

## RUBBER CONTINUES TO SOAR

World Stocks Seriously  
Depleted

London, Mar. 21.

With rubber prices continuing to soar, and the International Rubber Committee again meeting late in April, the conversations between the United States and Britain are renewing expressions of anxiety and disappointment.

Mr. Ray Atherton, in the course of repeated visits to the Foreign Office this week, re-examined the rubber grave and demand situation and the States' consumption.

The aftermath of the war of United States liners is now being strongly felt, and the shortage of ship bottoms is resulting in further depletion of available rubber stocks, creating a position rendered all the more serious by the continued strikes by coolies in Malaya and parts of the East Indies.

Britain and the United States appear to be agreed that it would be useless further to increase the quota of rubber releasable for the world market, and that the main objective must be to assure uninterrupted production and adequate facilities for transportation to the major consuming countries, notably the United States.

Mr. Atherton will continue his parleys prior to the meeting of the Rubber Committee.—United Press.

## STOP PRESS

London, Apr. 1.  
The deaths have occurred of Lieut.-Gen. Sir Skipton Climo, and Canon Walter Hicks, General Secretary of the North China and Shantung Mission.—Reuter.



# The SPRING BRIDE chooses—

By  
Victoria  
Chappelle

**HER GOWN**—In glass-spun silk, very 1936, and with a high silvery lustre, if she is a young woman who prides herself on being up to the minute. Or she can have a thick heavy crepe which moulds itself to her figure; a frothy white net which veils a slim satin slip; or a gown in heavy moire which "stands by itself," as her grandmother's did.

She can include several of the fashion "highlights" of the season in her bridal attire, but the gown must be kept simple—for theatricality has gone out of date. Sketched here is a suggestion.

In satin, with a skirt closely fitting to the hips, widening below, and with a flared panel inserted in front, this dress is full of interest. Note the sleeves—of gauged and ruffled net on the outer side from wrist to elbow; the front—with tiny glass bows down the double row of piping; the neck trimming—a double ruffle in net.

**HER HEADRESS**—In real flowers but not necessarily orange blossoms. A tiny posy can be pinned on the front of the hair with the veil streaming out beneath it. Alternatively, she can wear a flat oval cap of flowers; or have blossoms closely massed on her head with a spray falling down her back over her veil.

Victor Stiebel dresses the bride in his new collection in thick crepe, dead-white, and gives her a head-dress composed of a plaited band of thick cords in front of which three marguerites of white ruffia are posed. Beneath her chin is a spray of fresh white flowers.

And why not something different in veils? Instead of the usual tulle, lovely though it is, the bride might have a long wide veil in opaque dull-surfaced crepe to match her dress, catching it together beneath her chin with a posy of flowers.

**HER BRIDESMAIDS' FROCKS**—In taffeta, rustling richly as they follow her along the aisle; in chiffon, floating gently round them; or in printed net, splashed with glamorous flowers. Full skirts are always best for the little girls, however slim and willowy the grown-up bridesmaids like to look. But for the latter, why not short shoulder veils beneath floral coronets placed on the top or slightly to the back of the head? Tie their bouquets on the top of tall glass shoes, instead of letting them carry them. The children can wear floral bracelets.

**And Her Mother Wears**—a dignified ensemble with a small and cape she wants to wear, she needs no coat; otherwise, one of the new loose coats with interesting sleeves, and a dignified hat which sets off her profile and her hair should be her choice.



THIS bride wears a small posy above her forehead, but equally charming would be a thick flat crown of flowers. A neckband of flowers might be substituted for the ruff shown above and plain sleeves worn.



THESE two bridesmaids wear full skirted gowns of floral net in sweet pea shades and Tulle caps.

IN crepe, printed with a small design, this outfit for the bride's mother includes an attractive gown with wide revers faced in a shade to match the print and a loose coat with full three-quarter sleeves, set into a cuff. Her hat has a becoming sweep of the brim.

ANNE SELBY answers

## YOUR COOKERY QUESTIONS

A RECIPE for Lady Cakes, please.  
West Drayton. (Miss) C.

Sieve 4 oz. of flour with 3/4 oz. baking powder, rub in 2 oz. of lard add 2 teaspoonfuls of sugar and a sprinkle of currants, mix with enough water to make a stiff paste, cut into squares and bake in a hot oven.

HOW are Cream Leaves made?  
Ashford. (Mrs.) B.

Beat 3 eggs with 4 tablespoonfuls sugar, add 6 tablespoonfuls flour and the grated rind of a lemon. Beat with an egg beater until light, then drop teaspoonfuls of the mixture fairly far apart on a buttered baking sheet. Bake in a moderate oven for ten minutes, lift with a palette knife, and roll round a greased spoon handle. When cold fill with whipped cream.

INGREDIENTS for Brandy Snaps, please.  
Exeter. (Mrs.) C.

Warm 2oz. butter, add 2oz. each sugar, treacle, and flour mixed with half teaspoonful ground ginger. Drop spoonfuls on greased baking sheet, bake in fairly hot oven, and roll round greased handle of wooden spoon when slightly cooled.

HOW can I make Devonshire Cream?  
Melksham. (Miss) S.

Put the milk in a flat enamelled pan and leave for 24 hours. Put the pan at the side of the stove and heat slowly to 100 deg, which takes about an hour. When the cream begins to crinkle, leaving the sides of the pan and bubbling very slightly, take it off the fire and leave for another 12 hours. Then skim off the cream with a fish slice or saucer.

CAN I have a recipe for Australian Jack?  
Streatham. (Mrs.) C.

Melt 4oz. of butter with 4oz. of sugar, beat in 6oz. of rolled oats and press into shallow greased tins. Bake until golden brown—about 20 minutes. Leave in the tins until cold, then cut into fingers.

IS Tangerine Curd simple to make?  
Whitstable. (Mrs.) W.

Yes, just heat together in a double boiler 4oz. of butter, 8oz. caster sugar, the grated rinds and juice of 4 tangerines and stir until smooth. Then add 2 beaten eggs and continue stirring until the mixture thickens.

I SHOULD like a recipe for raspberry jam for Pêche Melba.  
Cambridge. (Mrs.) U.

Heat 2 tablespoonfuls of raspberry jam in 1/2 gill of water with 4 lumps of sugar for ten minutes. Strain and cool. Both peaches and sauce should be put on ice before serving with ice cream.

## Lady Mary Pakenham on . . .

LETTERS of thanks? Easy. I never boast—nothing further from my intentions, but if I was going to boast I would say I was particularly good at writing them.

Here I am, three days after Christmas, with an hour to spare, so I may as well polish off the lot.

It seems I have only about fifteen left to get through, though it rather depends how you count, whether you call penpals, Christmas cards or reckon calendars as presents.

It is a pity that the writing-table is covered with stockings. Last year we had a lavender-bag Christmas; the year before, a handkerchief Christmas; this year it was a stocking Christmas.

It is also a pity that the ink has been removed to such a safe place that no one can remember where it is, but I can manage with somebody's fountain-pen and a blotter on my knee.

What extraordinary fountain-pens other people do have. This one has hairs growing out of it. The words come out large and black, and sinister. I feel it is used to writing things like "Beware!" or "Your unkindness has killed me: I am leaving for ever," or "Dig here for treasure. Hell-Fire Jack."

The trouble with all literary composition is Mood. When the novelist Trollope owned up that he got through a quota of words every day regardless of Mood, the Great British public were very properly shocked that his sales dropped; which not only shows the respect in which the Muses are held in England, but also that you oughtn't to write anything unless you are in the Mood.

And now I come to think of it, I don't believe I am in the Mood. What with indignation and a cold and my hair needing setting, I doubt if anyone ever sat down to write letters of thanks more heavily handicapped than I.

Perhaps I should get on better with a letter to a letter. It was full of oneself and the kind donor. The nice new blotting paper and I had habit of reading letters aloud at the way in the East, week after week I have drawn on it an elephant and breakfast table cannot be too much anxiously waited to hear how their

## THANK-YOU LETTERS

two teapots and an abstract design, deplored, but there it is. Even and a kind of unbotanical tree and Horace Walpole, king of all letter writers, had to suffer from it.

A picture which I had to turn into a dark night scene very quickly before the children saw it.

So away with the blotter, and not conceive can amuse anybody. My old-fashioned breeding impels me every now and then to reply to the letters you honour me with writing, but in truth very unwillingly . . .

In spite of his old-fashioned breeding he probably didn't mean a word of it; but it finds an echo in many a heart to-day.

And talking of the masters of the pen, how do they cope with letters of thanks? Not always too well. When Henry James was given a super dressing-case he tied himself into knots for four long pages. He was in first of all said that he hadn't written before as his magnificence had made him ill, but he was recovering and hoped soon to return to London, where the "monstrous object" would again confront him.

He then called it the scourge of his life and the blot on his scutcheon.

And then "Ah, Walter, Walter, why do you do these things? They're 'darling' unless I am definitely magnificent, but they're not—well, keeping to the third person. But in discussable or permissible, or for this particular case I think 'darling' is divisible. At least, not all at once, might cause surprise at the other it will take a long, long time. . . . you are victor; winner, master. . . . You've done it, you've brought it off and got me down for ever. . . ."

And as I have just discovered that someone has made a shopping list on the back of my sheet of note-paper I must start again, alas, for ordinary use in the home.

It isn't as if one's letter was a letter to a letter. It was full of oneself and the kind donor. The nice new blotting paper and I had habit of reading letters aloud at the way in the East, week after week I have drawn on it an elephant and breakfast table cannot be too much anxiously waited to hear how their

little boy was getting on at school. At last the letter came.

Dear Father,  
You ask if the bat arrived. It has. Love from John.

This is beautifully short, but we can go one better still. We can be ultra-sophisticated, and subtly implying that our friends are so intuitive that they understand everything without descending to vulgar words, we can model ourselves on the sensitive heroes and heroines in present day novels and merely write

Dearest!  
Thank you!

"That's rather a sudden pull up, ain't it, Sammy?"  
"Not a bit on it; she'll wish there was more and that's the great art of letter writing."

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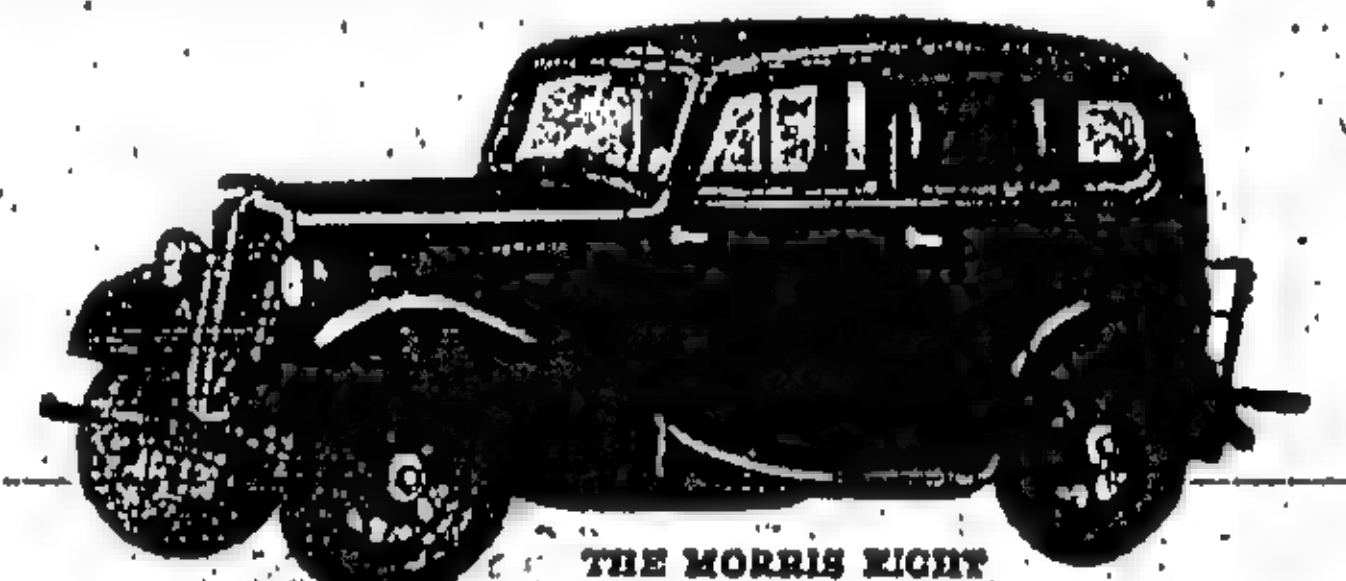
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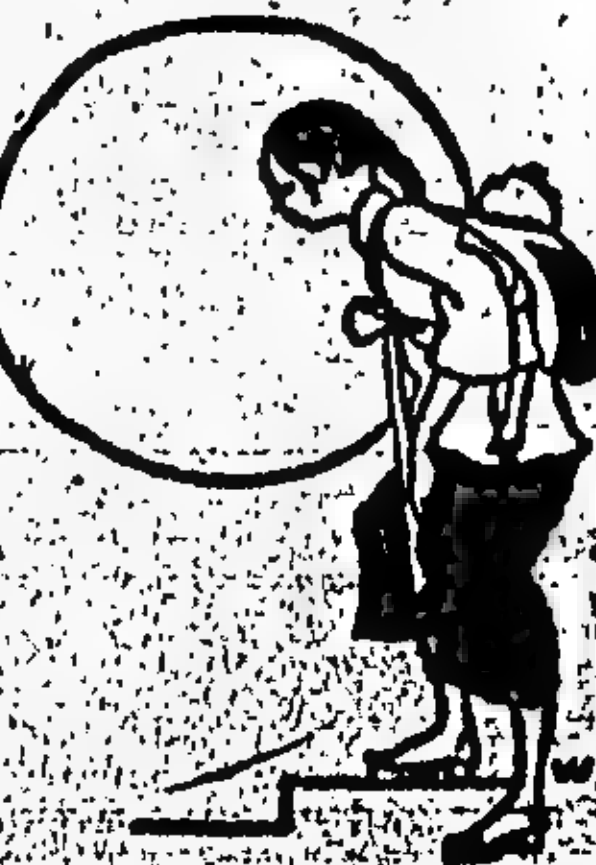
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# Accused Airwoman Pines for Lover

In Prison Cell Awaiting Trial, She Dreads Reunion

## Man Refuses To Make Charge

Paris, Mar. 25.  
MME. Irene Schmeder, the French airwoman, charged with the attempted murder of her lover, Pierre l'Allemand, who was shot in an aeroplane they were flying together, sits in her cell at the Versailles women's prison fretting and worrying about the lover who has refused to accuse her.

She shares the cell with a woman accused of infanticide, but no word of her suffering escapes her, except in her rare letters or in the interviews with her brothers, who have special visiting privileges.

Mme. Schmeder is still deeply in love with Pierre l'Allemand.

Eating little, seldom speaking, she pines for the French airman, but all the time she dreads the inevitable meeting with him.

l'Allemand has stubbornly refused to take any part in the prosecution, but the couple will shortly confront each other by order of the magistrate.

While she prays for freedom Mme. Schmeder fears what freedom will mean for her. She can make no plans for the future.

**HUSBAND'S OFFER**  
Her husband has said repeatedly that he would take her back, but Mme. Schmeder feels that she cannot return after what has happened.

All her thoughts are of the past, on that last night-mare flight with the man she loves.

It was on December 20 that a plane bumped down to land in a field near Villacoublay Aerodrome.

The occupants were Mme. Schmeder and Pierre l'Allemand.

After a brief interval the plane took off again, and l'Allemand was left on the ground, suffering from bullet wounds, from which he has now recovered.

Mme. Schmeder flew on alone, crossed the Channel, and then crashed at Seley, Sussex.

She was extradited from England, and then before the examining magistrate at Versailles sobbed out her story.

**FELL IN LOVE**  
She told how she had fallen in love with l'Allemand while he was giving her flying lessons, how his attitude had changed after she had returned from a visit to Italy.

Mme. Schmeder described the discovery of another woman, and then said that she was about to become a mother.

And now Mme. Schmeder waits in her cell, dreading their first meeting since their grim flight together.

**Diary For Sleeping Beauty**  
New York, Mar. 25.  
PATRICIA MAGUIRE, sleeping beauty of Chicago, knows nothing of what has been going on in the world around her for the past five years. All that time she has been asleep, suffering from a strange disease.

Patricia's mother, hoping her daughter will awake, keeps a diary of what has happened in those five years—President Roosevelt's election, repeal of prohibition, England's new Kings, Mussolini's conquest of Abyssinia, Hitler's climb to power in Germany.

To-day Mrs. Maguire made another entry in the diary—the death of James Maguire, the sleeping beauty's father, in hospital, after a month's illness.

**DISEASE AGES WOMAN OF 26, DEATH ENSUES**

London, March 1.  
A strange and rare disease that aged a woman years in a few days has been investigated by British doctors.

It is known as Simmonds' disease, and the young woman who contracted it died of old age in a few months.

She was married and 26 years old. Her case was taken to the Royal Free Hospital. She had given birth to twins. After the birth of the second child she collapsed. Three days later she developed a severe headache and was unable to sleep. After a further two days she became blind. Her condition became gradually worse. She lost weight and her hair began to fall out.

After some months she was discharged from the hospital. Then she had a sudden relapse. Two days later she was found in bed with her jaw set and her hands tightly clenched. In five hours she died.

The disease, according to the British medical journal, *Lancet*, was originally described by Simmonds in 1914. Although several cases have occurred on the Continent, it is very rare in England.—United Press.

## Gave Up Smoking—To Win His Bride

Fifty years ago Mr. George Clark, who loved a pipe of tobacco, gave up smoking when his sweetheart said she would not marry him so long as he was a smoker.

Recently George and the wife—they live in S.E.—celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

## SHOT MAJOR: INSURANCE FIRM APPEALS

IMPORTANT points affecting the law governing insurance policies will be debated by famous counsel before the Master of the Rolls, Lord Wright, and Lords Justices Romer and Scott in the High Court of Appeal in London.

The judges will have the task of reviewing the sensational "Shot Major" lawsuit, which was tried last year.

The Royal Insurance Company, Limited, are challenging a judgment given by Mr. Justice Swift in the King's Bench Division awarding £42,469 to Mrs. Agnes Emily de la Poer Beresford, of Crawford Street, London, S.W., niece and administratrix of the estate of Major Charles William St. John Rowlandson.

**IN A TAXICAB**  
The major shot himself in a taxicab in St. James's Street, Piccadilly, Aug. 3, 1934, a few minutes before his life insurance policy lapsed through non-payment of premiums.

After a jury had returned a verdict that the major was sane when he shot himself, Mr. Justice Swift held that the insurance company must pay £42,469 under the policy on the major's life.

The company are now appealing, their contention being that to pay out on the policy is against public policy. The Appeal Court judges will also have to consider a cross appeal by Mrs. Beresford in connection with the issue before the jury of whether or not the major was sane when he shot himself.

At the original hearing it was stated that if Mrs. Beresford's claim succeeded the major's creditors might be paid 15s. in the £.

## MORTAL COMBAT BETWEEN KNIGHTS

War Epic Reveals Son's Victor To Mother

COINCIDENCE has put a mother in touch with the man who killed her son. And an epic story of how two "knights of the air" met in mortal combat over the western front is retold.

"The bravest of all," is the description given by Colonel Ernst Udet, the German "ace," now famous for his aerobatics in films, to the man, Lieutenant Charles Maasdorp, nephew of a noted South African judge, Sir Andries Maasdorp, whom he killed.

It was Udet's last flight, and took place during the German push in March, 1918.

For 18 years, Mrs. James Maasdorp, of Great Bellerb, South Africa, has been mystified how her son died.

Colonel Udet wrote a book on his war experiences, and recently a Mrs. Ernst read it. Struck with the name Maasdorp which occurred in the book she wrote to her friend, a daughter of Mrs. Maasdorp.

The story of Colonel Udet, who was the victor in 62 aerial combats in the war, is mentioned how an English plane died for him.

"Both dying (writes the Colonel) we fly at one another like two knights with lances. . . . We fly at one another. . . ."

"He passes over me at about a hand's breadth. . . . Yonder is the man who is fighting the battle of his life. He or I one of us must perish; there is no way out."

**NERVES STRAINED**  
Five times they flew at each other. "My nerves are strained to breaking point, but my head remains cool and clear. This time the decision must fall."

"I take him. I make for him. I decide to give way not an inch. A sudden memory I saw at Sons a day in the air; the two machines made for one another, collided, and fell to the ground, fuselages smelted together in one piece of metal. The wings continued and fluttered to earth later on."

"Like two wild boars we ran at one another. If he loses his nerve we are both lost. These he swerves. In this moment my trial of bullets hit him."

"His aeroplane bends, turns on its back and disappears in a huge crater—clouds of dust, smoke. . . . I have never tried to ascertain who were the opponents I have brought down. He who fights may not look upon the wounds he inflicts. But this time I want to know."

At a field hospital the Colonel found that the dead airman was Lieutenant Maasdorp. He added: "I go back to my quarters. One dare not bring one's thoughts to bear on the fact that for each one you bring down a mother weeps."

As a result of Mrs. Ernst's intervention, the Colonel was brought into touch with Mrs. Maasdorp. In a letter to Maasdorp's sister he said: "I should be grateful if you would send me—in whom Fate placed your brother's life—a photo of this distinguished and brave warrior."

Colonel Udet's skill with aeroplanes enabled the wonderful "The White Hall of Pitz Palu" to be filmed. He is head of the technical section at the German Air Ministry.

## JARROW MAY GET ROLLING MILL

Labour Minister's Hint

MR. ERNEST BROWN (Minister of Labour) gave a strong hint to a Tyneside deputation last month that, at long last, something will be done for Jarrow.

Answering their demand for the establishment of a steel works, he gave them a pledge that "Jarrow will not be overlooked."

I understand however, that there is still no prospect of a steel works, but it is probable that a rolling mill will be opened in the near future.

The deputation would have liked a more definite assurance that a big scheme is to be started, but they came away with the feeling that a little at least is to be done to relieve distress in the town.

**IRON AND STEEL REPORT**  
Mr. Brown also explained that the report of the Tariff Advisory Committee on the iron and steel industry would soon be available and that the Government's Bill to deal with the distressed areas generally will be introduced next week.

The deputation was received at the Board of Trade by Mr. Brown, acting for Mr. Runciman, who is ill.

It included Lord Londonderry and Miss Ellen Wilkinson, M.P., who thus found themselves on the same side for the first time in their lives.



This cellophane water-proof has been adapted by Parisians against rain. It protects the gown without hiding its elegance. This transparent dress weighs only 45 grammes and can be rolled up in a parcel as big as a fist.

## Respectacle At Billingsgate

Spectacles are a mark of illiteracy—in Billingsgate. Discussing the ability of a fish porter to recollect facts, Mr. L. A. Byrne, barrister at the Mansion House, asked a Billingsgate fish merchant: "Is he not altogether illiterate?"

"Well, he's very near-sighted," was the reply. "Then you think the wearing of spectacles evidence of illiteracy?"

"All know is that I knew him when he was very young, and I bought him his first glasses."

"An entirely new definition of illiteracy," commented the smiling Lord Mayor.

## France Finds New Fattest Man

Paris, Mar. 25.  
Only a few days after the death of France's fattest man, a successor was found to take his laurels. He is Jean Bonna who is reputed to have weighed only 900 grammes (orl. 98 lbs.) at his birth and began to get fat, like his predecessor, after the war.

Bonna, who to-day is one of Paris' champion chefs, was a strange case at his birth in 1892. The doctors felt sure he would never live, and his first twenty-eight days in this world were spent inside an incubator to keep him alive. He calls himself "the canned baby," as a result of this first experience.

From 1907 to 1914 Jean Bonna lived and travelled in French Indo-China, and was known as one of the skinniest men in the French colony there. By the time the war came he was just about normal weight, 171 lbs. and about 5 ft. 10 in. tall. He was accepted as a pilot and received the war cross and several citations for his bravery and skill in combat. "I was so thin," he reminisces to-day, "that I just passed between the bullets."

**LOST ARM IN WAR**  
Johannes Bethlinier, France's fattest man, went through almost the same experience. He lost an arm in the war and the loss seemed to upset his metabolism. He grew fatter and fatter until the day of his death on February 4, when he weighed 439 lbs. Bonna seems to be on the same road to fame.

Demobilized and put back on normal rations as a cook in a restaurant, he suddenly saw the arrow on the scales mounting swiftly. In 1923 he began to get worried, having risen to the new weight of 263 lbs. By 1931 he had risen to 341 lbs.

Then Bonna decided he had better do something about it. "I decided to go on a diet," he told reporters, "and decided not to eat any bread, drink any wine, use sauces. It was a trying experience. I stood it for several weeks and then went to a weighing machine. What a joke! While I had been on a diet I had gained almost thirty pounds. I assure you it wasn't funny, after all that suffering."

**SAMPLE MENU**  
After his trying experiences on a diet, sufferings which many Americans have experienced, but without such doleful results, Jean Bonna went off the diet band wagon. "I gave up the hopeless game," he said with tears in his throat, "and decided to be happy at any rate. I eat sparingly however."

Asked what a sample menu of to-day was for him, he confided, "Not much! An omelette of a dozen eggs to start with, an entree of three pounds of meat, an entire chicken, a pound of potatoes, and two litres of wine. I'm not what you call big eater. Old Marius of the markets, there was a pig for you! He used to devour food!"

Having dismissed his two predecessors in this casual manner, Bonna showed that he was finally out for the world's record. "I'm still far from the world's record," he said sadly. "They tell me that there is an Indian Maharajah who weighs 704 pounds. But I won't take long to catch up and take the record for France. I don't think I'll try for the world's record after all. I think I'll let the Maharajah take the prize for the can sit around all day with servants fanning him and carrying him around. I've got to earn my living, and that means standing in a hot kitchen for eight hours a day. It would be unfair to try and beat him with such odds."

## A Life That Meant Much To Others

LAX THE BELOVED

A GREAT Christian died last month. He was sixty-nine years of age, and his name was William H. Lax.

For thirty-four years he had been associated with the Wesleyan Mission in Poplar, in the East End of London, for thirty-two of them as its superintendent.

He was known and loved by thousands of poor people. He knew all about the sordid lives of his overcrowded area, its vices, its braveries, its humours.

He stayed on in Poplar long after he would have moved elsewhere if the ordinary way—because he loved the work. He told many stories of his work. Here are some of them:—

Lax called on a coster who was ill with laryngitis. "The coster was speechless, but his wife said kindly:— 'Thank you, sir, I knew you'd be sorry because you, like Billie, earn your living with 'ollerin'."

There was an old man who lived alone, and with whom Lax spent much time, reading to him and praying with him.

At the time Lax was in touch with a kindly butcher, who said: "If ever you know of an old man or woman who could do with a mutton chop, let me know."

Lax gave the address of the old man to the butcher. Some time afterwards the old man died. He could hardly speak when he came near the end, but left the following message for Lax:—

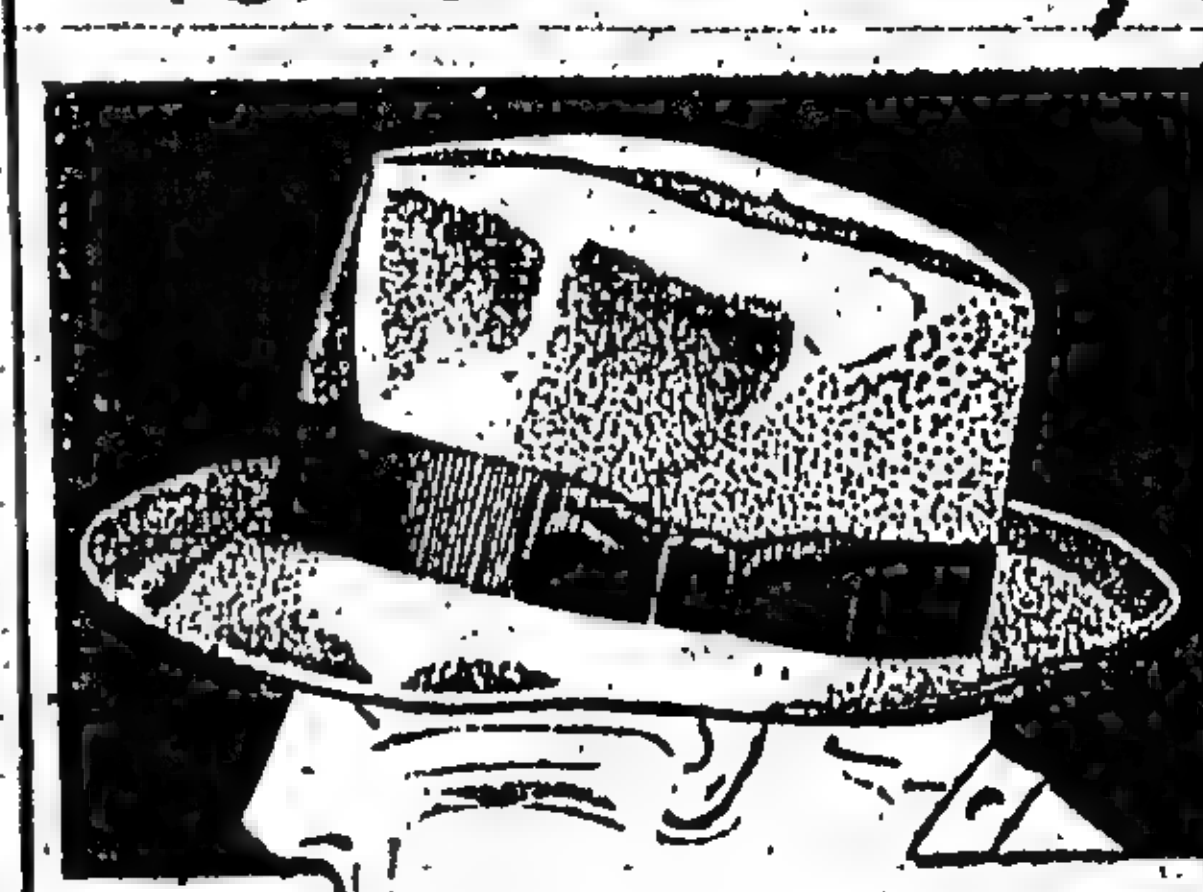
"Tell Mr. Lax, it's all right. I'm going to God. But be sure to tell him that I wasn't his preaching that saved me. It was the mutton chops."

Children everywhere greeted him in the streets, often with pert questions or pieces of curious information.

One of these child friends once said to him in answer to a question whether he was saying his prayers: "I've dropped the 'f'ly prayer."

"The 'f'ly prayer?" said Lax. "Whatever do you mean, Joey?"

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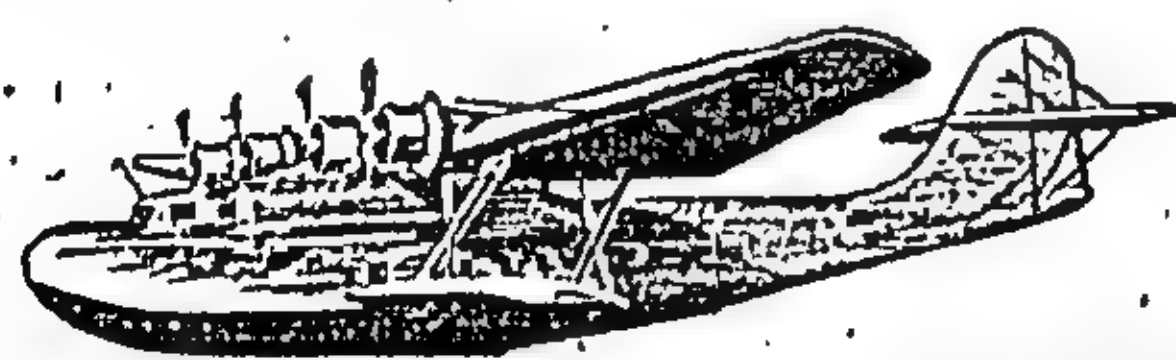
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### REDUCED FINE HELPS BEREAVED

Tsui Fel, 23, a lorry driver who was fined \$200 when he was convicted of driving without due care and caution, made an application through Mr. C. Y. Kwan, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, for a reduction of his fine. The charges arose following an accident at the junction of Pokfulam Road and Queen's Road West on January 28, when lorry No. 1085, driven by defendant, crashed into and killed four Chinese.

Mr. Kwan said that since the conviction, negotiations between his client and the deceased's family had been carried out and an agreement had been reached. Any reduction that his Worship might make in the fine would go to the family of the deceased. The appeal was therefore not on behalf of defendant but more on behalf of the deceased's family. The agreement which had been reached had been through the offices of the Traffic Department.

His Worship reduced the fine from \$200 to \$50.

### INDICATES CURE FOR ARMS RACE

(Continued from Page 1.)

stopping the armaments race and achieving security and prosperity.

**TERRIBLY URGENT**  
He describes the problems of imperial defences as terribly urgent, but points out that armaments alone are not sufficient for preparedness. The good organisation and distribution of news abroad is equally essential, he states.

"He cites the progress of foreign propaganda especially Japanese, German and French distributed by state subsidised news agencies for which there is no news equivalent. "He declares, 'is the only big news agency' in the world which is given no help by its Government in the business of distributing the news of the nation to which it belongs, or to put it the other way round, Britain is the only Great Power that has not given practical recognition to the value, in these days of keeping the large-scale distribution of its national news in the hands of its own nationals."

Sir Arthur Willert does not propose that there should be a state-controlled British news agency, but advocates that the Governments of the Empire, especially the London Government, should extend to "Reuters and any other British agency which could qualify for assistance", facilities for cheap wireless transmission. "Unless something is done soon, British news distribution throughout the world will be permanently damaged, and with it British prestige," he concludes. — Reuters Special.

### JUSTICE LINDSELL RETURNS WELCOMED BACK TO COURT

Sitting for the first time in the Summary Court this morning, since his return from home leave yesterday, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Puisne Judge, was welcomed back by Mr. F. G. Nigel, of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master, during the hearing of a promissory-note case. Mr. Nigel added the wish that His Lordship had fully recovered his health. His Lordship thanked Mr. Nigel and said that he had come back with a new zest to take up his duties and had entirely recovered his health.

### LINDBERGH IN ATHENS

Athens, Mar. 31.  
Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, flying back to Britain from India in their own plane, have arrived here, after flying from Rhodes Island, to Tatol aerodrome.—United Press.

### QUEEN'S CORONATION GOWN

London, Mar. 31.  
The Queen visited a firm of Bond Street dressmakers this afternoon to inspect the progress of the embroidery work on her Coronation gown. — British Wireles.

### CLOUDY WEATHER

The anticyclone has moved eastward and now covers South Japan and neighbouring seas. Another anticyclone appears to be developing over Mongolia. Local forecast: N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally.

A woman, Lou Kiu, was charged before Mr. Keen at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning with the possession of 47 tools of raw opium at a house in Tai Shek Street, Saiwanho. Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit said the opium was found in the woman's cubicle, and she claimed to have been keeping it for a friend. Defendant was remanded for one week on bail of \$1,000.

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### WHAT A YOUNG GIRL SHOULD KNOW

(Continued from Page 6.)

I shall send her to a business college for a few months and then expect her to find a job. Any job, just as a boy would have to do. I would not let her stumble about, among parties and house-holds, until she is 30 and then discover that her education had gone stale and that she had no method of earning except badgering her friends to buy trinkets or luxuries because of friendship.

The world is full of charming, dishonest women who cheat because husbands, fathers, and shopkeepers wink at the notion that women always spend more than they should. Women can be just as charming if they are honest. That is why my daughter must be responsible about her spending money. That is why when, on the 28th of March, she has 20 cents and no petrol in her Baby Austin, she has to get along on foot until the first of April. It gets down to this: a girl should know how to handle what money she has, whether it is five dollars or a half million. The girl who says, "I couldn't possibly afford it. But it was so adorable that I just had to have it," has not been taught how to spend.

It seems to me beyond question that a girl should know something about domestic life and household management. Here I run wild with preferences. I would rather have a girl know how to clean a sink than make a lemon pie. I have insisted that she know how many pounds of peas to buy for six people and at what season to buy melons and avoid grapes, as well as the difference between shoulder, rib, and loin lamb chops. I want her to know how to make good coffee, good tea, broil a chop, make a salad, and put a meal on the table without getting breathless. But beyond that I leave knowledge about cookery to the pressure and temptation of her future circumstances. Who knows what cookery will be necessary in the future?

I believe that a girl should know how to take a temperature and care for a minor illness or accident. She should know how to make a bed. Few do. I think she should know that there is no peace of mind in a confused or disorderly room. She should know how to arrange flowers and make something charming out of six miserable calendulas if necessary. And she should know how to get along with her family, in every family somewhere, and men and boys succumb more easily to business snoots or bad golf scores or bores. A girl should know how to appear cheerful when she is not cheerful and look serene at the table when she is troubled. It is part of her woman's job.

The normal girl does not even want to imagine a life in which men play no part. Therefore she should be fortified by accomplishment for such relations. One begins with these social relations which lead to closer ones between individuals, and for these a knowledge of how to dress, how to play games, how to dance, how to talk well, and conduct oneself in company are the major points. It is very necessary for a girl to know how to wear clothes to advantage. This includes a discovery of her own personality as expressed by her appearance. She should know that it is not necessary to be beautiful in order to be charming. She should know that no well-dressed person thinks about her looks all the time.

She must know how to use her voice. The shrill clatter of some girls' voices definitely destroys their charm. She should know how to dance. Dancing is essential to a girl's social confidence. She should swim, both for safety and for pleasure. But after reaching this point I should let a girl choose her other sports. A girl who knows how to drive a golf ball a decent distance or return a serve well in tennis, has a means of healthy development, and an opportunity to meet men in their sports. I think a girl should know how to do one such thing quite well.

## HEROIN TRAFFIC DIVAN AND FACTORY RAIDED

Sentence of one year's hard labour was imposed on Lai Sang, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. Keen at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning to a charge of keeping a heroin divan at No. 163, Queen's Road Central, second floor, on March 24.

Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit said he raided the floor the day previous and arrested one man, and on March 24, on carrying out another raid on the same floor, found it again occupied by defendant. It was a large heroin divan. Mok Hung, a man, and Chan Chi, a woman, were brought before Mr. Keen at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, charged with the possession of heroin at No. 112 Jaffe Road, third floor, on March 31. Mok pleaded guilty, but the woman denied possession. Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit accepted the pleas, and the woman was discharged. Mr. Grimmit said he raided the premises and had to break through an iron grill to get in. Mok was seen to hurry to the back of the house with a bag, but a Revenue Officer had been posted there, and Mok was unable to get away. The woman was merely a woman employed by him. The floor was undoubtedly a factory, but the raiding party had got there before it commenced working. Mok was remanded for one week on bail of \$2,500.

## INVESTIGATING SPY SUSPECT

Los Angeles, Mar. 31.  
Tests have virtually convinced the federal investigators that the radio belonging to the Japanese spy suspect, Abo, arrested yesterday, is not strong enough to be of any value in espionage work. However, they are minutely investigating the case. Abo declares that an engineer friend of his left the maps of the Hawaiian defences and Los Angeles water system in his charge. These were found in his room when police took him into custody, with another Japanese, for fighting with a knife.—United Press.

## H.K. Student Wins Honour

### In Institute Of Book-keepers' Examination

The Hongkong Examination Supervisor has been notified by the Institute of Book-keepers, Ltd., London, that the following students were successful in the December Examination:—

School of Accountancy & Commerce Students:—Associates, A. M. Braga, J. V. Braga, H. M. Britto, W. J. Brown, P. A. Gill, Lau Mung-lai, Elementary, A. H. Bakar, K. K. Bau, D. V. Hy, K. S. Parmar, A. R. Razack, The Kok Po, Tsui Tok-hoi, Yung-Sang, Wong Shui-hai, Preparatory, E. K. Abbas, A. Abdullah, Carolano Rozario, E. J. Jeldier, Miss J. Lee, E. M. Marques, Mohinder Singh, P. Nguyen Trung Canh, H. da Silva, R. Souza.

H. K. Commercial Institute Students:—Elementary, Usuff Ismail and Wong Po-on.

The following distinctions were obtained by students of the School of Accountancy and Commerce:—

Associates Examination:—F. A. Gill, 1st place with distinction (the Institute's Prize); Lau Mung-lai, 10th Place with distinction.

Preparatory Examination:—E. M. Marques, 2nd place; E. J. Jeldier, 5th place.

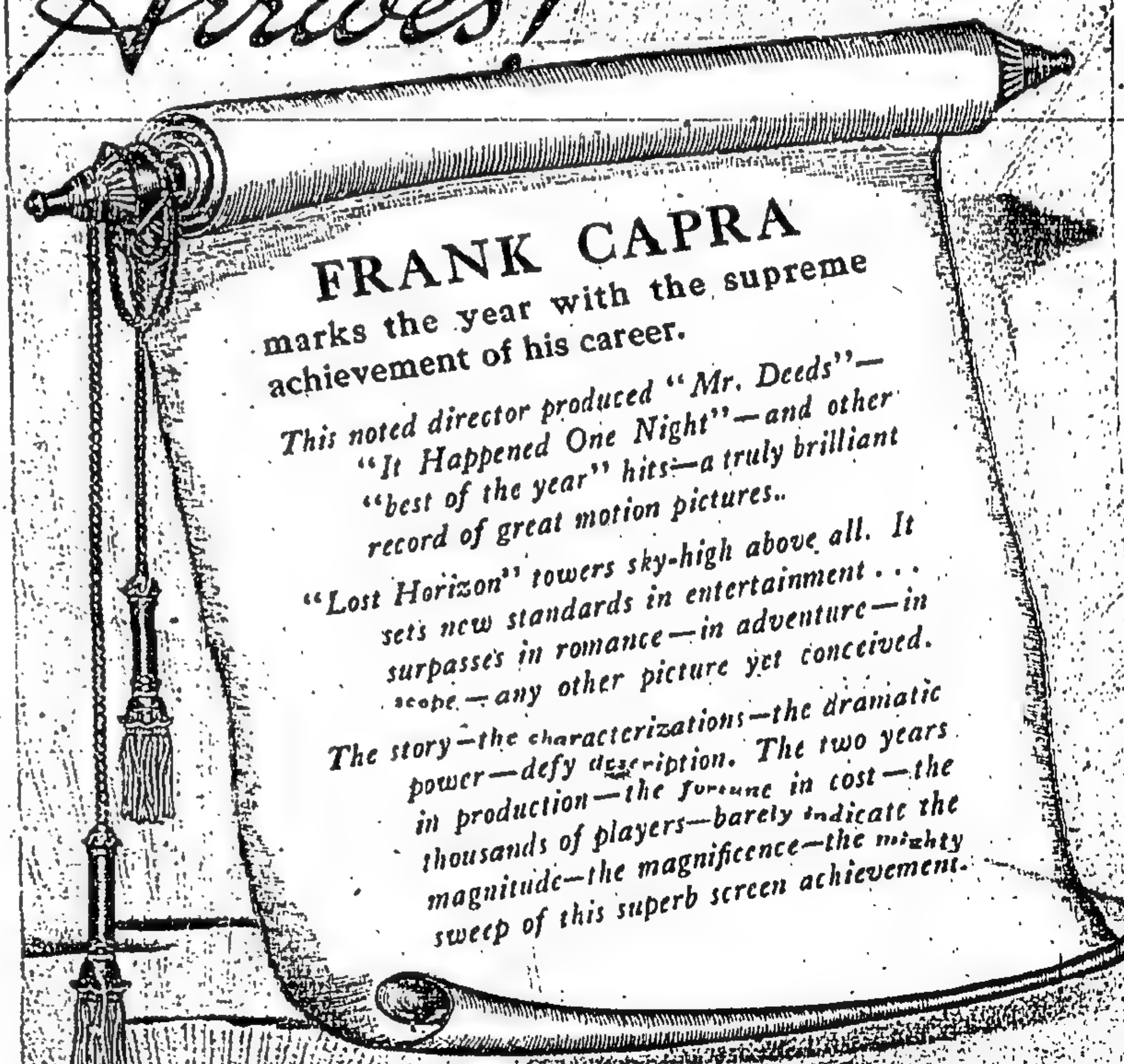
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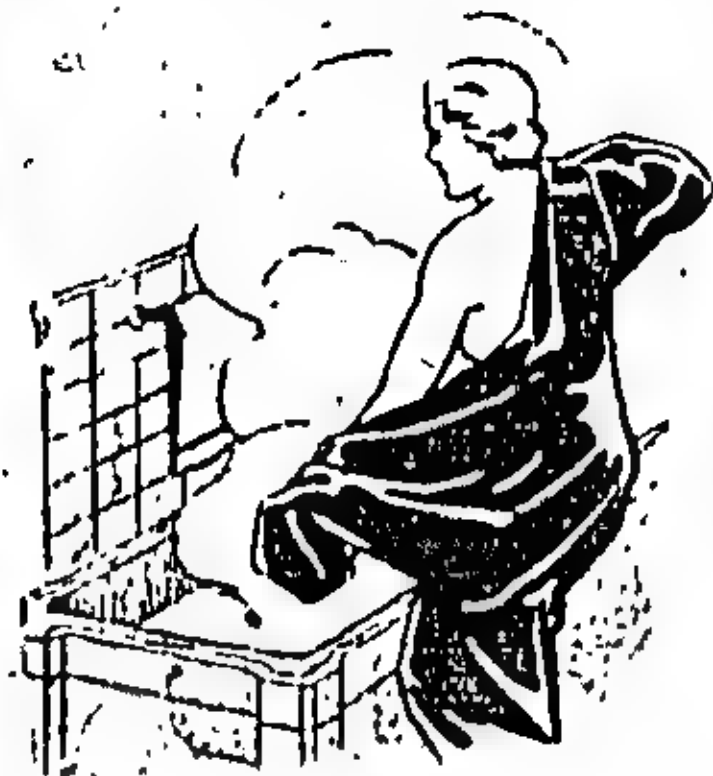
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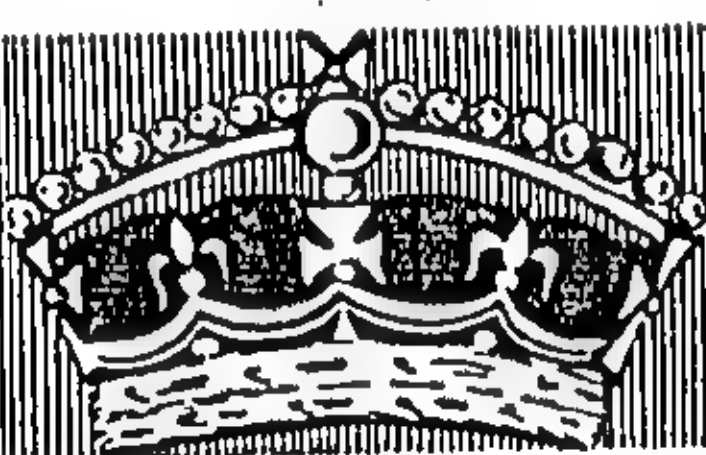
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PEOPLING THE  
EMPIRE

One of the questions which is  
sure to engage the attention of  
the forthcoming Imperial Con-  
ference is the possibility of  
evolving a large-scale plan for  
migration of suitable workers  
from the Mother Country to the  
self-governing Dominions. Lord  
Molotov recently mentioned as

a remarkable fact that, not-  
withstanding the efforts of  
many Imperialists, no-one has  
yet succeeded in arousing with-  
in the Empire as a whole an  
ideal of Imperial development.  
In other days, there was a  
steady flow of migration to the  
overseas possessions, but it was  
a more or less casual process,  
without any settled plan or con-  
scious effort towards the realisa-  
tion of the mighty enterprise for  
which the peopling of the Em-  
pire calls. Thus it has been re-  
marked that the Empire has  
been peopled in a sort of absent-  
minded manner. Obviously  
these methods will not do for  
the future, especially in view of  
the fact that other nations are  
clamouring for overseas terri-  
tories. It is a sorry circum-  
stance that whilst there are  
men, women and young people  
idle by the hundreds of thou-  
sands in the Homeland, reports  
from Australia state that there  
are almost unlimited openings  
for boys and single men for  
farm work and for young women  
in domestic work in several of  
the States of the Common-  
wealth. One organisation at  
Home which concerns itself with  
Empire settlement reports that  
it was able to send only twenty  
persons to the Dominions last  
year. All of these had to find  
their own passage-money. When  
we take facts like these into  
account, it becomes evident that  
if an attempt were made to re-  
vive migration from Home along  
comprehensive lines, on an as-  
sisted basis, there would be little  
difficulty experienced in finding  
jobs for the emigrants. It is  
essential, however, that the  
people sent overseas should be  
of the right type, those who are  
not afraid of work and who  
would not drift into the over-  
crowded labour markets in the  
big cities. Australia and other  
Dominions have had too many  
of this type sent them in the  
past. The question is one which  
not only concerns finding of  
work for those now unemployed,  
and the provision of workers  
where they are needed, but it  
vitaly affects the whole problem  
of peopling of the overseas Em-  
pire. If some concerted effort is  
not made to fill up some of the  
empty spaces with Britons,  
other nations may cast covetous  
eyes on the Dominions.

## WHO BEGAN THIS APRIL FOOLING?



errands to persons who do not  
exist?

Even the Turks

AND then, of course, they poke  
their grinning heads round  
the corner—just as our school-  
boys will certainly do to-day—  
and cry their equivalent of our  
"Yah—April Fool!"

The Turks, too, so far forget  
their natural pride as to indulge  
in the most fantastic stories on  
this day, filling credulous ears  
with seemingly authentic reports  
of most unlikely happenings in  
other countries. It is deemed  
great fun to put such tales into  
print. April Fools!

The French, as you know, are  
very fond of playing practical  
jokes on All Fools' Day. With  
them an April Fool is *un poisson*  
*d'avril*. Why a fish? "Pois-  
son," no doubt.

WHO, pray, first cast  
the blight of folly on  
this fair day—and  
where?

Wise men of many cen-  
turies have made fools of  
themselves in giving solemn  
answers to this unanswer-  
able question; and yet, such  
is the power of vindictive-  
ness in the human heart,  
we yearn still to have the  
mystery solved that we  
might unload upon the  
memory of a too-long-  
nameless wight the burden  
of our All Fools' spleen.

The search for him has ex-  
tended from the Tweed to Tur-  
kestan; from Highgate Hill to  
the Himalayas; almost all the  
world shares, in one form or an-  
other, his endless legacy of April  
foolery. Why even the imme-  
morial dignity of the East suffers  
the bladder-blows of the death-  
less jester—for do not the  
Hindus, when their festival of  
Holi ends on the last of March,  
despatch trustful folk on fools'

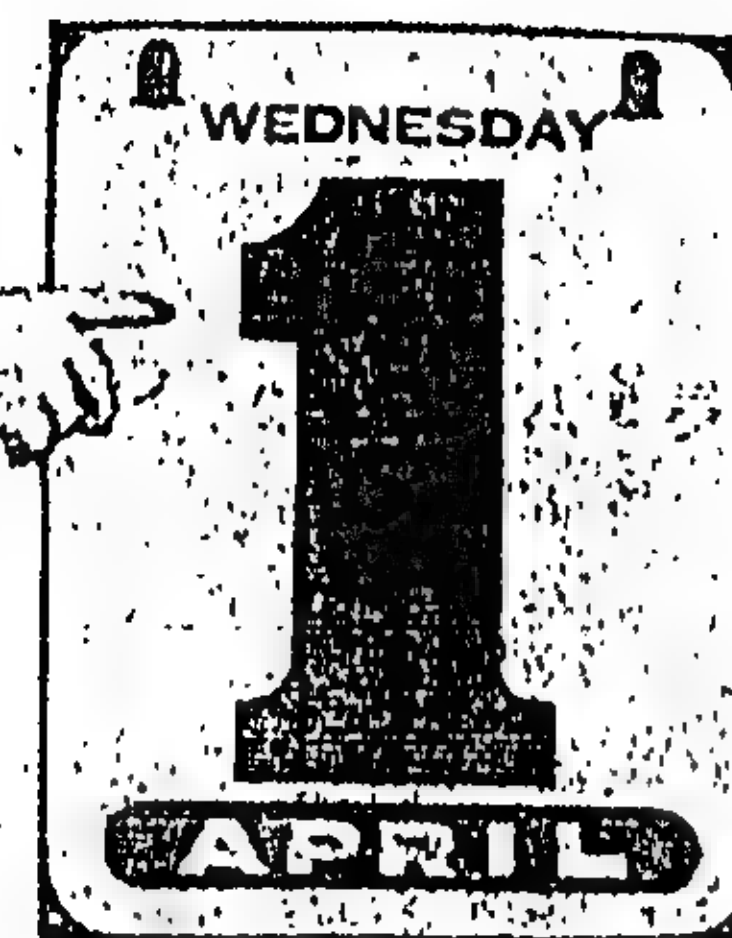
I have been told that many  
French fishermen put a super-  
stitious construction on it, and do  
not greatly care to put out with  
their boats to-day, believing that  
the catch will not be worth their  
trouble.

It is in our own country, how-  
ever, that April foolery most  
merrily persists—and, let us own  
it, we would be sorry ever to for-  
feit the chance of being made a  
fool. Is it not good for the soul  
to be humbled?

You're Bound to Fall  
IF you are as unsuspecting of  
malicious purpose as I am,  
you will inevitably be a fool to-  
day. It is of no use your having  
vowed to yourself: "I will keep  
my wits about me; I will be on  
the alert for the jokers." You  
will find yourself once more a  
victim even in the moment you  
are repeating your own warning  
to yourself!

I have tried diligently to make  
myself April fool-proof, and have  
never succeeded. How often,  
when I was a small boy, was I  
caused to suffer and blush with  
physical hurt and the smart of  
shame in the process of being  
fooled.

And then, how often have I  
gone bravely, because thought-  
lessly, forth to a most sad fate,  
when the First of April joke  
has been of a "practical" sort.  
You remember the mysterious  
parcels you were asked to de-



Asks  
F.G. Prince-  
White

liver, with strict in-  
structions to "wait  
for answer?" Can  
you forget those  
anguished mo-  
ments when the  
parcels were open-  
ed, and the furious  
receivers, scarcely  
stopping to read  
the enclosed mes-  
sage, "You're a  
couple of April Fools?" chased  
you howling up the street with  
a walking-stick and a bull-terrier.

Poor Grandpapa

EVEN when we are old and  
grey we shall not be im-  
mune from April foolers.

"Grandpapa," saucy little  
grand-daughters will be piping  
this morning at breakfast,  
"Grandpapa, there's something  
on your face."

"What d'you say, my dear?"  
old grand-dad will quaver, cup-  
ping his ear in a shaking hand.  
"I say there's something on  
your face, Grandpapa."

"I don't think so, my dear"  
—and the shaking hand will ex-  
plore the old visage.

"Oh, yes, there is, Grand-  
papa."

"What is it, then, child?"  
"Why, your nose, of course,  
April Fool!"

Poor grandpapa! To think  
that all the wisdom garnered in  
your long life should leave you  
defenceless in this foolish hour.

A century ago demure young  
girls with corkscrew curls used  
to be sent to bookshops for a  
copy of "The History of Eve's  
Grandmother." The modern  
schoolgirl is not so simply to be  
taken in. Indeed, it is my ex-  
perience that girls are far less  
prone than boys to be April-  
fooled—and that, in fact, they  
do most of the fooling that is  
done this day.

Pauline, a most tricky sprite,  
has been the first to cry me  
"Fool!" on many a First of April  
morning—past; and you may be  
sure she has prepared some dark  
and subtle scheme for tripping  
up my wits before the noon-  
hour strikes.

The noon-hour! Take note  
of that, for there is no manner  
of virtue in April-fooleries after  
that time.

That is the witching-hour of  
All Fools' Day, when all the  
imps of devilry must scuttle  
back home, to come not out till  
"April blows his horn" again.

Therefore you must get up  
early to fool your neighbour—  
so early that he is only half-  
awake. Then, while he is fumb-  
ling for his wits, loose your  
shaft at the April Fool.

All's fair to-day.

## WHAT A YOUNG GIRL SHOULD KNOW

By  
MARGARET  
BANNING

WE expect so much of our  
children; more, I sometimes  
think, of our girls than of our  
boys. I have a daughter who is  
17, and I find that in the last six  
months I have expected her to  
know how to do these varied  
things:

Pass examinations in Chemistry,  
French, and Latin.

Decide on her preferences among  
further studies with a view ultimately  
to earning her own living.

Meet a great many strangers  
pleasantly.

Handle her own personal expenses  
on a small allowance.

Play golf and tennis, one in the  
competition of tournaments.

Dance well.

Read intelligently such books as  
The Imitation of Christ, Emily  
Dickinson's Poems, Kay Boyle's First  
Love, and William Faulkner's Light  
in August.

Do the buying at the compendious  
and keep the bills within a stipulated  
monthly amount.

Select several evening dresses, with  
the understanding that each must cost  
less than \$30, and keep on hand the  
right kind of clothes for her sports  
and activities.

Refrain from drinking without be-  
ing a prig.

Prevent the boys "who took her  
out" from indulging in necking.

Leave the kitchen in order after  
improvised entertaining at night, no  
matter how late it happens to be.

Be agreeable to her relatives and  
to those family friends in whom she  
has no interest.

Drive a car without accidents, wash  
it, and change a tire.

Swim.

Keep some of the day for herself.

It sounds as if I got my ideas of  
parenthood from Simon Legree. I  
am slightly ashamed of that list be-  
cause there are many things on it that  
I myself cannot do. Nor did she  
succeed in achieving perfection, as a  
crumpled tender, an irritated aunt,  
and various other things proved.

None the less that is what I expected  
of my daughter. I do not want to  
cross anything off that list, and I  
shall probably find myself lengthen-  
ing it.

Her equipment must be diversified  
because her future is beyond pro-  
phesy. So I want her to know the  
things that will stand her in good  
stead if she is poor; or if she is rich;  
if she is happily married, divorced,  
or remains single; if she builds herself

a cottage in Kent or has a job in a  
bank in Hongkong.

I know of only one way  
to approach the problem. It  
is true that I cannot foretell what  
her individual life will be, but I  
can see into what divisions her  
duties must inevitably fall. She  
will have a business life of some sort,  
even if it is limited to paying her  
bills or signing checks. She will have  
a domestic life—almost certainly, for  
domestic life persists even in strange  
new forms. She will have many  
social dealings with men and women.  
She will have personal relations with  
herself. For these four things I want,  
by hook or crook, by play or work,  
to get her.

When I say business dealings I do  
not mean a job. I think a girl should  
know how to earn her living, of  
course. But it may not be necessary  
for her to earn money continually.

The sense of earning, however, her  
personal confidence it gives a girl,  
the awareness that her ability has  
a market value, is immeasurably  
valuable. That knowledge keeps a  
girl from all sorts of secret discon-  
tents and fears. If she marries it is  
to make her relations with her hus-  
band truer and freer, because, while  
she may quite properly be living on  
his income, she is not in terror lest he  
lose it or tire of her.

When my daughter finishes her  
schooling she will, I think, have found  
a way to earn her living. But if not

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If a  
BRITON  
MARRIES  
an  
ALIEN

Legal questions which arise  
when a British subject is con-  
templating marriage with a  
foreigner are discussed by S. L.  
Ricardo in *Quercus*, the organ of  
the Quercus League. His article  
is reproduced below.

ENGLAND recognises the marriage  
laws of every other country;  
provided that at the time of their  
marriage age the parties would, by  
English law, have been free to  
marry. This means that if you are  
married in France or Holland your  
marriage holds good in England.  
Unfortunately, some countries are  
not so inclusive.

Recently an Englishwoman mar-  
ried a Dutchman in England and  
lived with him for some years.  
Then he returned to Holland where  
the marriage was not recognised and  
married again. The only consola-  
tion the English law offers this wo-  
man is that if ever her husband  
set foot in this country he could be  
arrested for bigamy. Yet the danger  
could have been avoided by in-  
viting the Dutch consul in England  
to attend the wedding. His presence  
would have made it binding in  
Dutch law.

NON-BRITISH DIVORCES

Although England recognises  
marriages made in other countries  
she does not admit their right to  
grant divorces to her citizens on  
grounds which would not be suffi-  
cient to secure a divorce in England.  
Hence the famous Earl Russell case  
in which the English law chose  
solemnly to regard his American  
divorce as void and proceeded when  
he married again to prosecute him  
for bigamy.

British consuls abroad are allowed  
to grant marriage licences provided  
one of the couple is a British sub-  
ject. Having granted the licence the  
consul either performs the ceremony  
himself or is present during its per-  
formance. Such marriages can only  
be celebrated when both parties are  
free to marry by British law.

SUSPICIONS OF RENO

Almost every year a number of  
marriages are stopped in England be-  
cause either the bride or groom has  
been granted a *Reno* divorce and  
therefore in the eyes of the English  
law is not free to marry. Most of  
these couples then go to France. Here  
all divorces are recognised, but the  
residential qualification is longer than  
the fifteen days required in England.

Marriage by the captain of a mer-  
chant ship is only legal in dire ne-  
cessity; when, for example, passen-  
gers have been cast on an uninhabited  
island, or the vessel is in danger, or  
they are bound for a place where  
there is no one who has the right to  
celebrate a marriage. The Merchant  
Shipping Act provides that the  
master of a vessel shall enter in the  
ship's log every marriage celebrated  
on board, together with the names  
and ages of the parties. This does  
not necessarily make such marriages  
valid. Except in cases of extreme  
necessity a clergyman must be pre-  
sent and English law has so far never  
yet recognised any merchant ship  
marriage minus a clergyman. Some  
years ago the Rural Dean of Ply-  
mouth married a Norwegian couple  
in a tender three miles out to sea.

Just clear of the territorial limit  
this was a legal marriage and saved  
them the necessity of residing fifteen  
days in England. Captains of war-  
ships have wider powers than those  
of the merchant service. Like com-  
manding officers in the army they  
may celebrate marriages for British  
subjects in out-of-the-way parts of  
the Empire.

IN THE OUT-STATIONS

In England marriages must take  
place in buildings registered for the  
purpose or if in an ordinary build-  
ing, then the district registrar must  
be present. In outlying parts of the  
Empire the law has allowed more  
latitude and marriage can be  
solemnised in the house of any Bri-  
tish subject provided the service is  
conducted by a chaplain or officer, or  
other person officiating by authority  
of the local commanding officer of  
the local garrison. This rule may  
sometimes apply outside the Empire.

It was held recently that a marriage  
celebrated in China according to the  
rites of the Church of England was  
legal although there was no building  
in that part of China registered for  
the celebration of marriages.

WIFE'S NATIONALITY

In 1933, under the provision of the  
British Nationality and Status of  
Aliens Act, it became possible for a  
British woman to keep her own na-  
tionality on marrying a foreigner of  
a country which does not automati-  
cally give a wife her husband's na-  
tionality. Before this act a British  
woman who married an American lost  
her British nationality and could not  
acquire American citizenship without  
going through the usual probationary  
period of several years. But this act  
still leaves some women stateless.

Just year, for instance, an English  
woman who had married a German  
Jew and gone into exile with him  
found herself neither British nor Ger-  
man. Marriage with an Englishman  
automatically gives a woman British  
citizenship whether she happens to  
want it or not.



# MAN FROM OGPU GAOL TELLS ALL

'CONFESS—YOU WILL SEE YOUR FAMILY:  
PLEAD GUILTY—YOU WILL BE FREED'

## 'Grilled' For 4 Months By Commissars

THE "Telegraph" is able to publish to-day the first personal record of life in a Soviet secret prison and of the methods used to obtain confessions. The story is given exactly as it was told by a man who left his wife and children in Moscow—a man who can never go back.

WARSAW, MAR. 21.

HERR ARTUR THILO, 34-YEAR-OLD BRITISH-BORN GERMAN JEW, EXPELLED FROM SOVIET RUSSIA AFTER BEING HELD WITHOUT TRIAL FOR FOUR MONTHS, WAITED UP WITH ME TO-NIGHT TO HEAR IF THE BRITISH AUTHORITIES IN WARSAW WOULD GRANT HIM A PASSPORT ON THE GROUNDS THAT HIS MOTHER WAS BRITISH AND THAT HE WAS BORN IN BRADFORD.

Thilo must leave Warsaw by to-morrow midnight; if the passport is not granted he does not know where he can go. His wife and two children remain in Moscow, but he can never return.

Pale and dour, his nerve strained to breaking-point, Thilo described to me how he came to be accused of spying for Germany and conspiring with Trotsky terrorists.

"I will start from the beginning," he said. "Four months ago—it was on November 4, at two a.m.—I was awakened by loud knocking at my door. I opened it. Several men walked in.

### NARROW CELL

"They took me to the Lubyanka Prison, put me into a cell about five feet wide by twelve feet long. Another man was already in it. They slammed the door, and that was all for four or five days.

"The warders treated us well. There was no rough handling. For breakfast they gave us black bread, for lunch soup, and for supper a kind of porridge.

"Then came my first cross-examination by the OGPU commissars. I was asked fifteen cross-examinations in all. In the end they broke me down. Sometimes they lasted one hour, sometimes as long as five.

"They were always carried out in the same way. One, two or three OGPU commissars used to ask questions and statements at me. They said: 'You are guilty of committing espionage for Germany. You are also guilty of co-operating with the Trotskyists.' I replied: 'There is no truth in that. Bring your evidence.' The commissars used to laugh, said encouragingly: 'Come on now, own up and you'll be freed.' Gradually they tried to make me believe that I was guilty and promised everything would be all right as soon as I admitted it.

"I refused to give in, asked them to bring material proof. Then they said: 'There is no hope of escaping prison unless you confess. As soon as you confess that you have committed espionage and have been co-operating with the Trotskyists we will free you, and you will be able to see your wife and children.'

"I replied: 'It is absurd trying to confess things I have never done. I would only be making up such confessions.' The OGPU commissar replied: 'Then make it up.' By the middle of December I admitted—quite forcibly—that I had committed espionage on behalf of Germany. Then I realised that my position had not been improved in the least by confessing.

"Two weeks later I contradicted it all. Less than two weeks after my arrest I was placed in a solitary cell at Butirki Prison. I saw nobody except the warders, but they gave me books to read. This mental pressure to make me confess was continuous, though I was never bodily ill-treated.

"It's the only way to get out of prison," they told me. 'Why, there are people here who have been

in prison for a year without confessing, but that is not going to help them.' I was told the German Embassy would do nothing to help me.

"Then, when I had never even hoped for it, OGPU officials brought me out a few days ago—on Saturday. They took me to an office, where a young woman official read me out a notice telling me that I was to be banished from Soviet Russia without trial. The same evening they brought me to the railway station. In a special compartment in the train which I was in were five OGPU officials.

"My wife and two children were brought to the train, so that I could say good-bye. My daughter and my son is three and a half. 'At the Polish border this evening I was handed over to Polish officials. Now I am praying that everything will be all right for me to come to England. My sister is in London and I want to reach there as soon as possible.'

[Note: Artur Thilo returned from England to Germany in 1912. He remained until 1929, then went to America as an engineer. He returned in 1931 to Moscow to work in the Auto and Tractor Works. He is one of the nine Germans who have just been expelled from Soviet Russia.]

## Frenchmen Racing For New Record

Flew From Saigon To  
Allahabad In 20 Hrs.

Allahabad, March 31. The noted French aviator, Pissavy and Cornet, who are racing from Saigon to Paris in search of a record for the distance, arrived here at 6.20 p.m. to-day. They are resuming their flight at midnight if conditions are favourable.

The two airmen flew from Saigon to Allahabad in just over 20 hours. They tried it will be recalled, to establish a new record for the Paris-Tokyo flight, but owing to a series of misfortunes were so much delayed that they realised their task was hopeless and stopped at Saigon. There is a 400,000 francs prize for the first plane to break the Paris-Tokyo record.—Reuter.

## DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

AN HABITATION GIDY AND UNSURE HAZI HE THAT BUILDING ON THE VULGAR PATH.—Shakespeare.

A 10-year-old youth, Lo Ling-ho, was charged before Mr. Ng at the Central Magistracy this morning with the larceny of a jar containing \$3 worth of Chinese cakes from the Wing Lok Street, ground floor. Sub-Inspector Armit prosecuted, and accused was bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year.

Wong Shing, 42, a coolie, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning with the larceny of a piece of metal from the A.P.C. Jetty, North Point, on March 31. Mr. Harber of the A.P.C. Installation, appeared as complainant. Defendant said he had picked the metal from out of the water near the jetty. The case was remanded until April 9. Bail was allowed at \$100.



The "Home" Exhibition, which was opened by the Lord Mayor, is to teach City men what to do in the event of an enemy gas attack at their work by day or in their homes by night.

## GAS: HINTS FOR THE HOME AND OFFICE

If you were in London and were to look in at No. 17, Aldermanbury, the narrow street of business houses behind Guildhall, you will find yourself in one of the strangest exhibitions ever staged in the City of London.

You may not believe that the next war will come in your lifetime, but the Lord Mayor and the City Corporation of London are taking no risks. Their motto is "Be Prepared."

The object of the exhibition, which was opened by the Lord Mayor, is to teach City men what to do in the event of an enemy gas attack at their work by day or in their homes by night.

### TO EACH HIS COSY CORNER

Every one should convert his cellar or basement, or some room if the dwelling is a flat, into a "refuge room," which he should regard as his first line of defence. St. John Ambulance Brigade men and officials of the Special Air-raid Precautions Committee of the Corporation will

tell you how to fit up the room.

Read some of the instructions: Take up the carpet and fill in all cracks round the skirting board. Seal all gaps round skylights and windows. Stop all ventilators in the outside walls and the chimney with rags or paper.

Model exhibits in the refuge room on view show you how to resist the enemy. When you have got the room roughly well set for the attack and have turned on the wireless or set down to a game of cards—also included in the exhibits—you ought to be able to live for 12 hours in the refuge room before sensing an air of suffocation.

### THINGS TO KEEP HANDY

You may already have the materials for filling up your gas-proof room—old carpets for barricading the windows, wet blankets for the inner doors, and plenty of brown paper for pasting over the cracks.

You should also have a good stock of that strong transparent paper used for wrapping round cigarette packets. This is for pasting over the windows. The shock of an exploding bomb might crack unprotected glass, and two or three layers of the paper would prevent the gas passing through the cracks.

It is all very illuminating, and to do the thing properly flat-dwellers are asked to set up a protection committee among themselves and to insist on a roll-call as soon as the air-raid warning is given. The exhibition is the first of its kind in the country, and it has the blessing of the Home Office. Hanging on the walls are coloured posters from Russia and Austria showing the horrors of an enemy attack with the air raid instructions translated in English.

## ROGER CASEMENT'S DIARY DAIL MEMBER'S QUESTION

Mr. de Valera was questioned in the Dail recently regarding the existence of a diary supposed to have been written by Roger Casement, who was executed in Pentonville Prison in 1916 after having been found guilty of treason.

Mr. Frank MacDermot asked whether he would ask the British Government to submit the diary to joint examination by representatives of the Governments of the Free State and of Great Britain, and to publish their report as to its authenticity.

He also asked as to the possibility of an honest mistake having been made by those who made use of it if it were found to be spurious.

Mr. De Valera: Roger Casement's reputation is safe in the affections of the Irish people—the only people whose opinions matter.

## RADIO BROADCAST

Studio Recital by Winifred Lawson

### CHILDREN'S CONCERT

Broadcast by Z.B.W. on wave-lengths of 350 metres (840 kc/s). 31.40 metres (9.52 mc/s). 5 p.m. Relay of Dance Music from the Hongkong Hotel Roof-Garden. 6 p.m. From the Studio. A Children's Concert.

6.30 A Military Band Concert. Clarinet Concerto No. 1 (Weber). ...Gladys Walkins (Carillon); Swastika March (Klohr). Entry of the Boyards (Halvorsen, arr. Winterbottom). ...Hand of I.M. Cold-cream (Guards); Rakoko; Love Song (Meyer); (Henderson); Had you but known (Dezza-Bruggemann). ...Richard Tauber (Tenor); Ship Ahoy March (arr. Mackenzie); Sea Song Medley (No. 3), (arr. Vaughan Williams). ...Macedonian Bands of the Royal Marines; (a) Piece in form of Habanera (Ravel-Le Duc), (b) Study in thirds (Schubert, arr. Sargent). ...Joseph Sigel (Violin); The Jolly Roger (Dunn-McCall); ...Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone); ...Sing a Song (Hill), ...Macedonian Bands. 7.15 p.m. Remora at the Piano. (See lower Medley; Miracles sometimes happen. 7.30 p.m. Stock Quotations and Exchange Market. 7.35 p.m. By the Sleepy Lagoon (Rice Coast), played by Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra. 7.40 p.m. From the Studio. From the Studio.

A Recital by Winifred Lawson (Soprano), Lindsay A. Lufford at the Piano.

French Songs—1. Jeanne Fillette (arr. Weckerlin); 2. Mon Hameau; 3. Le cœur de Marie; 4. (Jacques Dalcroze); 4. Le Grand... (Then Hotter).

English Songs—1. One Morning so early... (Duck); 2. The Spring has come... (M. Valerie White); 3. Our little home... (Eric Coates). 8 a.m. Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 From the Studio. A Talk by Lee Wai-long on Football. (Chinese).

8.25 A Relay from the Lee Theatre. (Chinese).

11 p.m. Close Down. 8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.B.W. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05 p.m. Variety.

Organ Solo—Six Great Melodies: No. 1. Harold Ramsay; Vocal—Empty Saddles... (Bing Crosby); Vocal—Twilight Serenade... (Clarrie Wright); Instrumental—Wedding Chimes... (The Brothers Bertini); (Banjo and Guitar Duo); Vocal—(Time on my hands); Denny Dennis; Vocal—I've got you under my skin... (Frances Day); Instrumental—Serenade... (La Argentina (Castanets Solo); Vocal—Melody Trumps No. 2... (The Four Aces; Hawaiian Tropical Hula... On the dreamy Moana shore... South Sea Islanders; Variety—Sandy Powell's 1936 Road Show... Sandy Powell and Company; Organ Solo—Fifty Years of Song... Terence Casey. 8.55 p.m. London News and Announcements.

9.15 p.m. Viennese Waltzes (Recorded).

9.25 p.m. "Food for Thought"—Three Short Talks on Matters of Topical Interest. (Electrical Recording).

9.45 p.m. Leslie Jeffries and His Orchestra.

Le Cygne (The Swan), (Saint-Saens); Dance of the Icicles (Kennedy Russell); The Frolicsome Hare (Ashworth Hope); Springtime Serenade (Jonny Heykens); The Balkan Princess (Paul A. Rubens).

10 p.m. London, Big Ben. "The Table under the Tree." Written by Wilfrid Rooks-Ley. Produced by A. W. Hanson. With music played by Watford Tyden and his Orchestra. (Electrical recording).

10.47 p.m. Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trust—Unbelievable; What in next time you're passing; Did you mean it? Waltz—Have you forgotten so soon? 11 p.m. Close Down.

## CHINESE FILM DISPUTE PLAINTIFFS FAIL TO APPEAR

An action brought by Lee Hy-lap, trading as the Tai Tung Company, and Au Hon-fu, against the Unique Film Production Company, for damages for infringement of copyright and injunction from showing and delivery up of all copies of a film entitled "Do Mai Kwei," was struck off the trial list by Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court this morning, owing to the absence of plaintiffs.

His Lordship also directed that the plaintiffs should show cause on April 9 why a peremptory order should not be made for the hearing, failing which the case would be heard on April 12 at 10 a.m.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, appeared for the defendant company.

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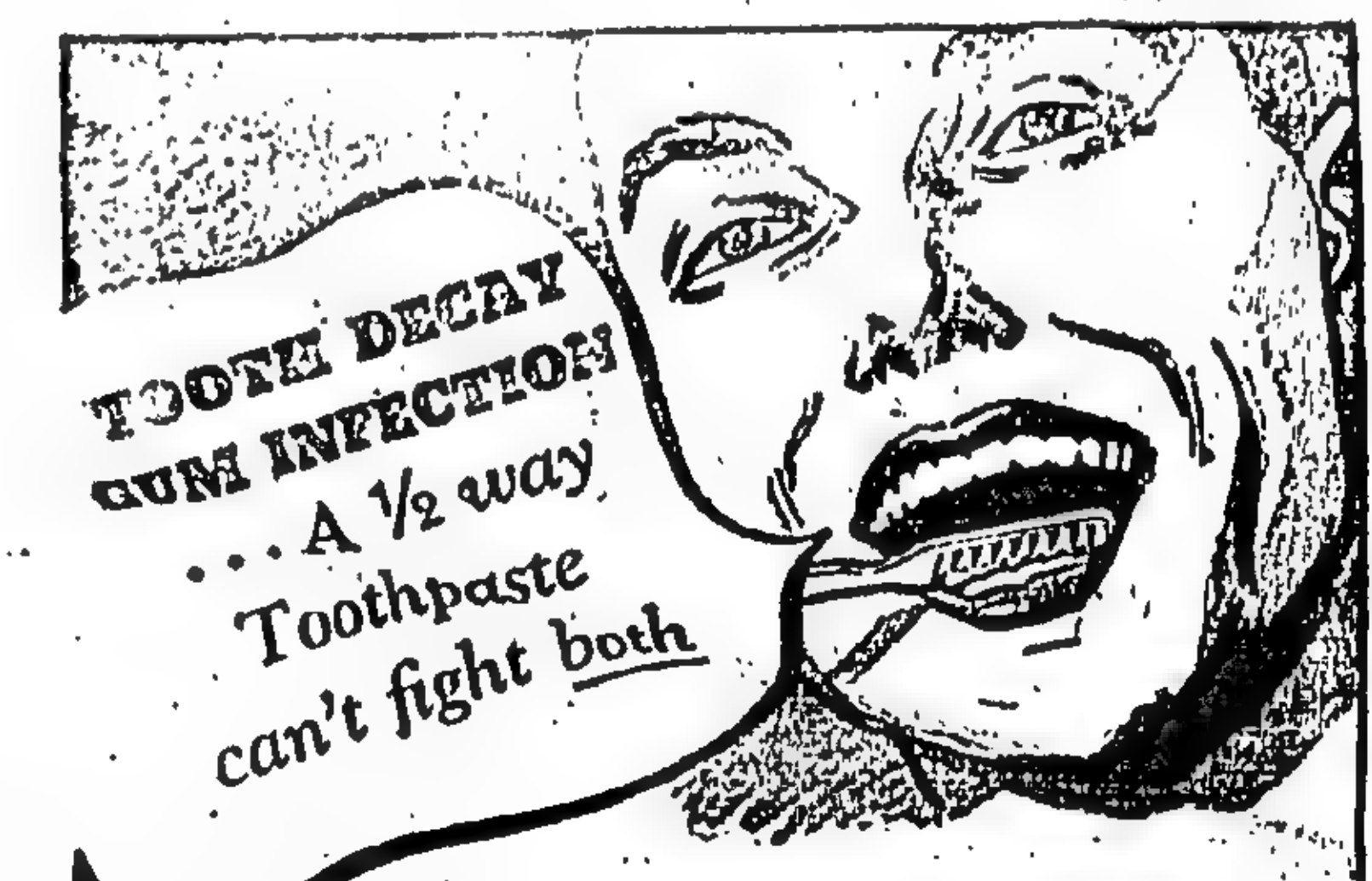
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# STAR SIAMESE BADMINTON TEAM TO VISIT H. K.

## Want To Appear In Exhibitions During May

### WILL ALSO DEMONSTRATE A NOVEL GAME

New Project By Siamese Trade Commissioner

(By "Veritas")

MR. Vilas Osatanada, Siamese Trade Commissioner, who was responsible for introducing leading Siamese tennis players to Hongkong a year ago, is planning to have a party of badminton players visit the Colony from Siam early in May, and hopes, with the co-operation of the Hongkong Badminton Association, to have them appear in public exhibitions of the game against local exponents.

Mr. Vilas says that the standard of badminton in Siam is high—higher than that of tennis, which indicates a real treat for Colony badminton enthusiasts.

Only the assurance of the Badminton Association to assist in arranging for exhibition matches is required to make the visit of the Siamese a certainty, and there is little doubt but that the Association will welcome such an opportunity.

Six players will make the trip, each one being recognised as a first class exponent of the game. The squad will be led by Chari Shaw as captain and will include his brother, Choot Shaw, P. Ran Sit, B. Ban Lee, B. Ban Chong and J. Chome. Among them are students of law and railway officials who have just completed their studies. They will be a young bunch of fellows, eager to display Siam's badminton prowess in Hongkong for the first time.

#### WILL DEMONSTRATE SIAMESE TRADITIONAL GAME

In addition they will be prepared to give demonstrations of the famous and traditional Siamese game of Tu Kraw. The game has never before been seen in this Colony, but as a spectacle it is remarkable.

It has some affinity to the well-known Chinese game of kicking the shuttlecock, only in this case a ball is used, made of cane skin, so wound that when finished, it is perforated. It is about one-third the size of a football, and the ingenious manner in which the players gain control over it is said to startle strangers to the game when they first see it played. If Mr. Vilas receives a favourable response from the Hongkong Badminton Association, as he is certain to do, he will immediately send for the players who will arrive in Hongkong early in May. They will probably stay a full week or more, and if their visit is a success, they may go to other places on the China coast.

Though by that time the local badminton season will have ended, it will not be difficult to arouse interest in this visit of such expert players for it will enable Hongkong to assess much more accurately its own standard of play.

#### GOOD H.K. TEAM AVAILABLE

With men like P. K. Hui, Patrick Wong, K. T. Yung, M. A. Oliveira, T. C. Lee, T. J. Ong, J. J. Remedios, M. A. Silva, S. P. Chan and others of a near calibre, Hongkong will (Continued on Page 9.)

#### Colony Badminton

##### Championships

### P. K. HUI REACHES A FINAL

(By "Veritas")

P. K. Hui took such complete command of the court in last night's mixed doubles badminton championship semi-final in which he and Miss U. Khoo beat L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva 15-3, 15-4, that the University "Ace" was able to score points at will.

Hui had Carvalho rushing from corner to corner in vain attempts to pick up his brilliantly placed drives; when Carvalho did succeed in making a return from them it only created an opening for an easy smash or a gentle tap over the net to a vacant spot of the court.

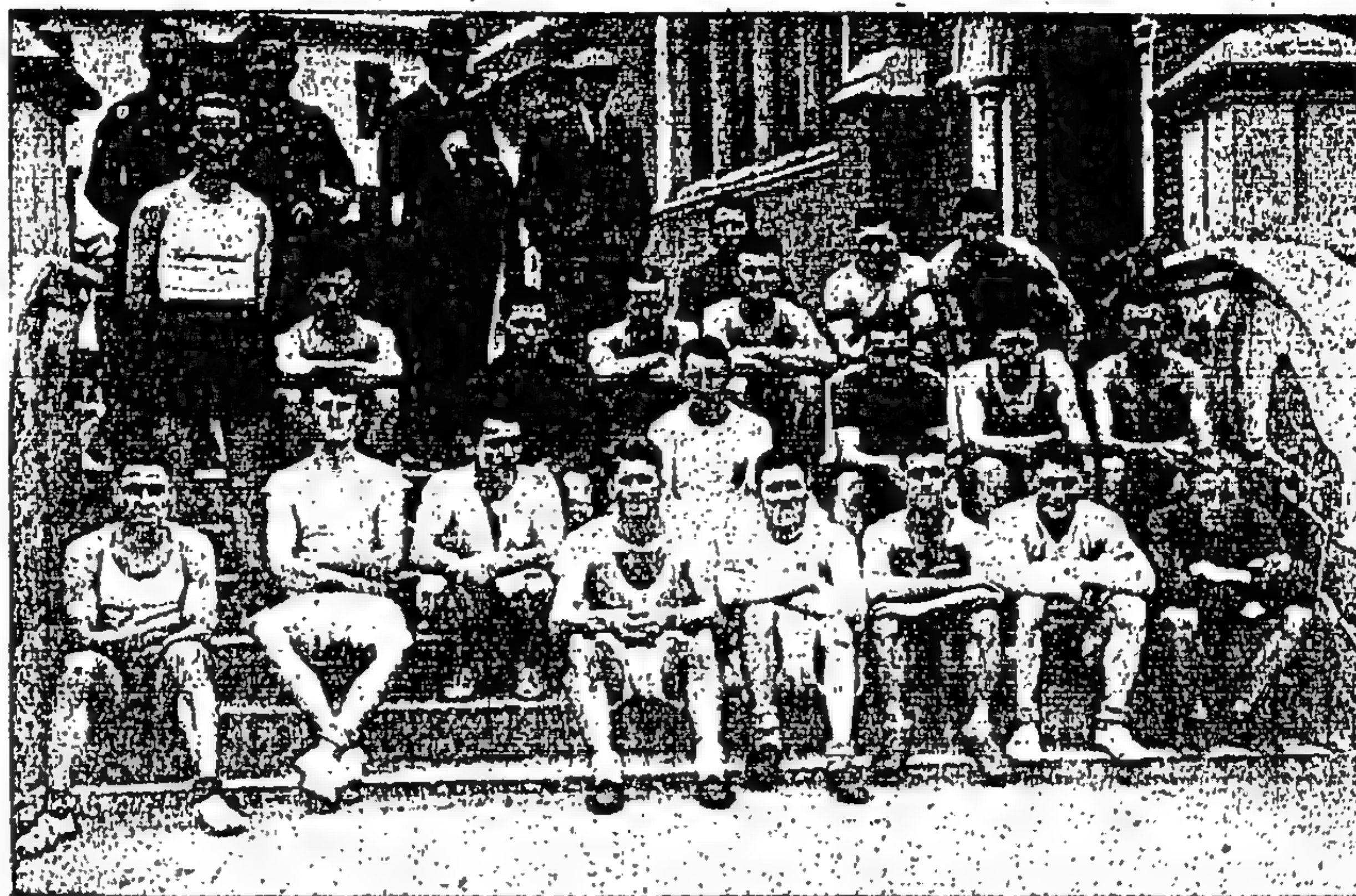
The Recife pair were wholly out-paced and out-played. Carvalho was a willing worker and never gave up trying to counter Hui's adroit court-craft, but Miss Silva lost confidence in herself and did not play up to form.

Neither was Miss Khoo seen at her best, though she did make some useful shots. Chiefly, though, the match developed into a contest between the two men from the rear of the court, and Hui's superiority was never in doubt.

After two-all had been called in the first game, Hui and Miss Khoo scored five points in a row before the Recife pair secured their third ace. From that point the Varisty players went right away, winning eight successive points for the game. They enjoyed an even greater run of success in the second game. After trailing 1-2, they piled on 13 points to reach game-ball two and then lost service. Carvalho and Miss Silva then snatched a couple of aces, but the match was rapidly ended on the next service delivery.

A much closer encounter was anticipated, but the event found the losers somewhat below expectations, while Hui and Miss Khoo could do nothing wrong.

To-morrow night's final will be a different thing, for in M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, Hui and his partner will meet somebody worthy of crossing swords with them.



Competitors in the Kowloon Marathon race run on Tuesday, grouped on the steps of St. Andrew's Church before the start of the event which was won for the second year by Rifleman Hamilton. (Phot. Yuen Chun Studio.)

### WRETCHED SOCCER IN CHARITY CUP REPLAY

#### IRELAND BEATS WALES

(By "Veritas")

Ireland .... 1 Wales .... 0

(Moore)

IT needed a very strong sense of duty yesterday to sit through this International Charity Cup replay to the bitter end. It was one of the dullest games staged at the Kowloon Football Club this season, and the weather didn't help matters. A cold wind drove in from Lyceum Pass bringing with it rain and a general atmosphere of unpleasantness. Not for a long time have I been so pleased to hear the final whistle in a football match as in this case.

Ireland won only by the odd goal, but they had plenty to spare and if they had shown anything approaching reasonable powers of finish they would have piled on another four or five. The major share of the offensives went to them, but even against a pair of backs who were not always sure about what they were doing, Ireland (in this case the Royal Ulster Rifles) could make no serious threat to the Welsh goal.

Wales suffered even worse in attack where only Duffield showed any idea of constructive and progressive football. Grindley was in hopeless shooting form and Sullivan was hardly better.

Wales owed a lot to Evans and North, the wing halves, who tackled finely, but behind them neither Knight nor Wheeler suggested himself as an impassable barrier. Nevertheless they recovered quickly, and this, together with the Irish forwards' slowness in seizing openings, allowed them to save situations which threatened disaster.

#### ANDERSON ALONE

Anderson played neat football in the Irish attack but was poorly supported. Ferguson played a boisterous game on the left wing and on odd occasions sent across a likely centre. But both he and Irwin indulged in too much shooting from long distances, the sort of thing Rowlands can always handle.

All four wingers, though, suffered in one common respect. They had to run back for the ball too often. This was largely due to the poor passing of Campbell and Wanklyn the respective centre-halfs, both of whom played as though they were sick to death at the sight of a football. And perhaps they cannot be blamed for that.

Stevens, as usual, was brilliantly confident and sure in all he did. Pickering was more slip-dash, but, like the June-Bug, he got there, just the same. Connor didn't have a single anxious moment in goal.

But the general impression I got was that all the players had gone completely stale, and were not faintly interested how the game finished.

The deciding goal came in the first half, when Moore completed a right wing movement by neatly heading past Rowlands. After that the game settled down into sheer kicking, and was, for the most part, a disconcerting scramble for the ball which, after it had been secured, none of the players appeared to know what to do with it next.

Ireland meets England in the final, Ireland will have to play 100 per cent in order to hold a candle to the English team.

#### Olympic Swim Expenses

The Olympic Games Swimming management committee's balance-sheet was submitted to the Amateur Swimming Association council meeting at Harrogate recently.

A delegate said he understood that certain swimmers' out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the Games had not yet been paid.

This was confirmed by the English backstroke champion, John Bedford, who said he had made oral and written applications for his expenses. The council authorised the committee to meet forthwith to investigate the matter and report to the A.S.A. Committee, who in turn would report to the council.

### Corinthians And The Casuals

#### NO DECISION YET

London, Mar. 7. The Corinthians last night adjourned their meeting on the subject of amalgamation with the Casuals without coming to a decision. Mr. C. Wreford Brown presided, and at the end of the proceedings, which lasted some two and a half hours, the following statement was issued by Mr. J. G. Stevenson, the Hon. Secretary:

"It being evident in the course of a long discussion that there was considerable diversity of opinion as to the proposal of amalgamation, the meeting was adjourned for further consideration of the question."

It was learned that the proposed amalgamation met with warm opposition from certain quarters, and that an amendment was moved. Among those who addressed the meeting were Messrs. C. Wreford Brown, G. N. Foster, H. Roper Barrett, W. T. Wickett, W. H. Webster, A. G. Daggart and J. G. Stevenson.

### HAGEN AND THE RYDER CUP

#### Non-playing Captain

Walter Hagen has been appointed non-playing captain of this year's American Ryder Cup team which is coming to England to defend the Cup at Southport and Ainsdale on June 29 and 30.

Hagen has always been a playing member of the U.S.A. side since the inception of the contest in 1927. He has been on the winning side on four occasions in the foursomes and won

### International Tournament On Sunday Next

The final match in the International Hockey Tournament between England and Portugal is to be on the U.S.R.C. ground on Sunday next at 3.30 p.m.

This is the second successive year England has participated in the final against Portugal, last year the Portuguese winning by a solitary goal. But I think England is certain to reverse the result this time.

A. P. Sousa, I am told, is under doctor's orders and will be unable to play, while rumour has it that there is trouble in the Portuguese camp

### THE SUN SHINES AT LAST

#### FOR TO-DAY'S TENNIS

#### BUT IT MAY NOT BE PLAYED

(By "Veritas")

The little red flag which warns Hongkong Cricket Club members that the ground is closed, was flying from the pavilion early this morning, but it is possible, in view of the indicated improvement in weather conditions, that this will be removed and play in the Colony tennis championships will be possible to-day.

The much-desired sun broke through a thick blanket of clouds shortly after nine o'clock, and if it continues the ground should dry quickly.

One hopes sincerely that play will be possible, for an exceptionally attractive programme is scheduled.

Tsui Wai-pul returns to the fray, meeting R. L. Withington the Army player in the singles. Another interesting tie is the clash between Clarke and Crawford the K.C.C. exponents. In their many friendly meetings at the K.C.C., Crawford has enjoyed a slight edge over Clarke and I expect to see him make use of this advantage to-day. He will if he attacks Clarke's backhand which is distinctly vulnerable.

Leung Ping-chiu, whom the Chinese Recreation Club reckon to be one of the most difficult players in the club to overcome, meets J. D. Milne, and there are sure to be some fascinating exchanges, for Milne, though a trifle unorthodox, is a fine, hard hitter and will not be easily overcome.

Howard, who received a walk-over from J. D. Holmes earlier in the week, opposes Ng Kam-chuen, but I don't think the Craigengower player has very great hopes of success.

#### OPEN SINGLES

G. E. Clarke v. A. Crawford; R. L. Withington v. Tsui Wai-pul; W. J. Howard v. Ng Kam-chuen; J. D. Milne v. Leung Ping-chiu. CLUB SINGLES HANDICAP M. Fagh v. F. A. Joseph. CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP L. T. Hild v. W. M. Barlow; H. Owen Hughes v. A. B. Read; A. K. Mackenzie v. J. F. Levy. CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES F. G. Nigel and R. M. M. King v. R. G. L. Olliphant and A. M. Mack.

Three of the four singles matches in which he played, his one defeat in the singles was at the hands of George Duncan, who won by 10 and 8, in 1929.

The other members of the team are to be selected shortly. Hagen is at present touring New Zealand.

### H.K.S.R.A. IN FINAL FOR THE THIRD TIME

(By "The Pilgrim")

A hockey match of more than passing interest was played on the Marina ground last Tuesday when, in the semi-final of the Inter-Unit Army Tournament, the H.K.S.R.A. beat the Royal Welch Fusiliers by a single goal which Lieut. Garthwaite scored in the second half. The H.K.S.R.A. have won this trophy two years in succession, and now make their third appearance in the final.

The game started at a cracking pace with the H.K.S.R.A. making most of the attacks. Most of the players appeared to be excited by the occasion and took some time to settle down. Lieut. Garthwaite played a keen, thirteenth game and broke through more than once but had his final shot brilliantly saved by Reid in goal. The Brigade looked good for goals, but excellent defensive measures were applied by L/Cpl. Palmer and L/Sgt. Cheley. Garthwaite got through again from Khuda Bux's pass, but shot wide when a goal looked certain.

Play was transferred to the other end where Sergt. Dandy missed a palpably open goal. Short corners followed for the Fusiliers, but they were not turned to account, and after the interval field was quickly called upon to save from Khuda Bux. The Brigade forwards were fast but they found difficulty in out-witting the Fusiliers' defence. Cpl. Sharpe in particular doing excellent work at centre-half. However, Garthwaite eventually secured an opening and ran through to score, though it was not a clean goal, Reid misjudging a shot which he looked like saving.

Lieut. Garthwaite was the leading light in the Brigade forward line and was well supported by Khuda Bux on the right wing. Kishan Singh and Eshan Singh were the pick of the defenders, whilst Reid in the Fusiliers' goal was masterly. Jones, Sharpe and Tucker formed a trustworthy intermediate trio for the losers, but the forwards lacked good sharp shooters.

The Argonauta losing this point has placed the Radio Sports Club in a very strong position.

### Contest For Mamak Title Tightens

Central British Association is the only team to have completed its fixtures in the Mamak Tournament, and head the "A" Division without the loss of a game.

In the "B" Division, Radio Sports Club, the present champions, and Argonauta are in the running for leadership, the Radio being one point ahead with a game in hand. Argonauta have to play "D" Coy. Ulster Rifles, and are certain of victory, while Radio meet K.I.T.C. If Radio are beaten, the Argonauta will be leaders and will meet the C.B.A. in the best of three games for the championship.

I believe an extension of time has been granted these teams to complete their fixtures.

### Motherwell Beats Arbroath

London, Mar. 31. Motherwell and Arbroath figured in a Scottish Football League match to-day on the former's ground. Motherwell won comfortably by three goals to one. —Reuter.

### Argonauta Get Rude Shock

#### HELD TO A DRAW

(By "The Pilgrim")

On the K.I.T.C. ground last Sunday, the Argonauta "A" shared two goals with the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club "B" in an interesting Mamak Tournament hockey match. The Portuguese, who up to then had only lost one game, fielded a weak team and were given a rude shock.

Argonauta started the match on short, E. L. Gosano being 20 minutes late, and it was during this period the Kowloon Indians found the net through D. Noronha, who beat Sousa with a first-time.

The Kowloon Indians enjoyed the better of the exchanges in the first half, but with the arrival of Gosano, Argonauta took up the offensive and held it for practically the rest of the game. They were rewarded when E. L. Gosano equalised from a short corner. Ten minutes from the end Narain Singh broke through the Argonauta defence, but his flick shot was nicely saved by Sousa. The Portuguese did the attacking in the closing minutes but without reward.

Bachan Singh at centre-half, gave a magnificent display for the Indians, while other notables in the defence were K. Hussain at left half and Mamak at right back. Narain Singh led the attack cleverly, but the remainder of the line disappointed. Argonauta were without five or six best players and the handicap was obvious. Beltrao played a hard game as pivot and T. Alves on his left was prominent. E. L. Gosano and Xavier the full backs were in their best form, but the attack lacked under-striking.

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## SWIMMING MEETING

## Y.M.C.A. Plans For The Coming Season

Plans for the encouragement and teaching of swimming were discussed at the annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Swimming Club yesterday evening. The attendance was very small, only seven members being present, namely Messrs. W. Ingram, G. Cox, R. Goldman, C. F. Needham, W. F. Kerr, R. B. Woods and W. J. Ashton.

Commenting on the last season, Mr. R. Goldman said that it had been quite a success. The girls had been well attended and many of the younger people had shown considerable promise. It was hoped that the Association would be able to raise a water polo team again.

Mr. W. F. Kerr was elected captain for the season. In view of the

## ARMY HOCKEY FINAL TO-DAY

The final of the Large-Units Army hockey cup will be played this afternoon at 4.15 on the Marina, the contestants being the H.K.S.R.A. and the Kumaon Rifles.

number of goals which were held last year, it was agreed that the small committee of three was insufficient to attend to the work and a committee of five was appointed as follows: Messrs. G. Cox, R. B. Woods, R. Goldman, T. Ingram and Mr. Kerr who, as captain, automatically became a member.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Ingram for teaching the younger people to swim. Mr. Kerr put forward a plan which entails the erection of a swinging pole but guaranteed that the method would teach anybody to swim within a month. The first gain was fixed to be held on Saturday, June 5.



"C" Company, Royal Welch Fusiliers, winners of the Inter-Company rugby cup for the 1936-37 season. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

## League Football

## DRAMATIC EFFORT BY NAVY

## To Save Game ONLY JUST FAILED

Royal Navy 3 Seaforths 4  
(Wallace, Stevenson, Black) (Samson, 2 Adams, McGuigan)

The drama of this exciting first division football match at Causeway Bay yesterday was the last-minute effort of the Navy to save a point. And they went very near to doing it after the Highlanders had put themselves into what appeared to be an impenetrable position by leading 4-1.

A high wind proved tantalising and had a drastic effect upon the exchanges. It helped the Seaforths to pile on a three-goal lead at the interval, and it was an important instrument in Navy's belated but courageous recovery late in the game.

Despite this factor, some admirable football was served up by both teams. The open passing game was preferred, and its value quickly demonstrated. Because of this, and the tricky wind, defences were hard put to keep their goals intact, and while the forwards were prepared to shoot with any degree of accuracy, goals were always coming.

Samson was a worthy deputy for Miller as leader of the soldiers' attack and he had two good men with him in McGuigan and Ayres. Webster gave a polished display at full back and Steele was also in the limelight.

Navy were splendidly served by Love and Grant as wing halves while Wallace, Stevenson, and Black, who scored the goals, were the pick of the forward line.

Samson two goals and McGuigan one permitted Seaforths to take a three-nil lead at half time, though they had enjoyed the benefit of a following wind and had taken full advantage of it.

Wallace quickly reduced the lead after the change-over, but it was restored when Adams scored a beautiful goal from a sharp angle.

Thereafter the Navy had most of the play and before the end Stevenson and Black had netted.

## NAVY WIN THE 2ND DIVISION Decisively Beat Seaforths

Navy yesterday won the second division championship when they scored a clear-cut victory of five-nil over Seaforth Highlanders on their own ground.

Navy were predominant throughout, the attack in particular playing sparkling football. They displayed such a thorough understanding that they were able to indulge in all types of intricate movements and still score goals.

Wride and Spencer scintillated, but the rest of the forward line was not far behind. It was probably the best display given by them this season.

Seaforths were harassed from the very start, and the defence wholly incapable of countering the bewildering movements of the opposition.

Goals for the Navy were scored by Wolff (2), Spencer, Wride and Brewer.

Navy have only one league match outstanding, but they can afford to lose it without affecting their position at the top of the table. They have to date the magnificent record of winning 22 matches, drawing two, losing one, scoring 126 goals, conceding 26 and securing 46 points from 25 matches.

## UNIVERSITY SPORTS

## Final Heats Run Off On Pokfulam Ground

The final heats of the University annual athletic meeting to be held on Saturday, were run at the University pavilion, Pokfulam, yesterday afternoon. Two final events, the throwing of the Discus and the 220 Yards, were also held. V. Vargassoff came first in the former with a distance of 90 ft. 5 ins. and C. C. Ma took the honours for the latter, returning the time of 28.2/10 secs.

The full results were:  
220 Yards Final—1, G. C. Ma; 2, Lee Zau-long; 3, L. Oliveira. Distance 28.2/10 secs.  
Discus Throwing Final—1, V. Vargassoff; 2, J. Jolendok; 3, B. Milenko. Distance 90 ft. 5 ins.  
440 Yards—Heat 1: 1, R. Soares; 2, G. C. Ma. Time 61.5/10 secs. Heat 2: 1, V. C. Ma; 2, F. Ulrich. Time 58.9/10 secs.  
Heat 3: 1, L. Shih-luen; 2, B. H. Chen. Time 62.1/10 secs. Heat 4: 1, N. A. Brandt; 2, George Henschoy. Time 62.2/10 secs.  
Shot Put—1, V. Vargassoff; 2, L. Oliveira; 3, J. Jolendok. Distance 35 ft. 5 ins.  
Shot Put—1, Lee Zau-long; 2, Lee Kwan-yuen; 3, L. Oliveira. Distance 30 ft. 9 1/2 ins.  
Vaulted—Lugard Hall beat Morrison Hall and Rice Hall beat Elliot Hall.

## WEEK-END FOOTBALL FIXTURES

## Lai Wah Cup Final ON SUNDAY

The Lai Wah Cup match between the Army and the Civilian is the main attraction in local football over the week-end. It will be played on the Kowloon F.C. ground at 4.15 p.m. on Sunday.

Besides this game, a full League programme has been arranged for both Saturday and Sunday. It is as follows:

## SATURDAY

## First Division

Recreio v. Club (King's Park), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Fenton; Linesmen, Stein and Cannore.

Eastern v. R.W. Fusiliers (Causeway Bay), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Richards; Linesmen, Forman and Bailey.

Police v. South China "B" (Kowloon), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Lawrence; Linesmen, Morgan and Osborne.

Seaforths v. Chinese A.A. (Sookunpo), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Kossick; Linesmen, Silva and L. A. French.

South China "A" v. Royal Navy (Caroline Hill), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Liley; Linesmen, F. W. Smith and G. French.

## Second Division

R.A. "L" v. Kowloon (Caroline Hill), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Day.

R.A. "S" v. Club (Club), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Back.

Eastern v. R.W. Fusiliers (Causeway Bay), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Westbury.

Seaforths v. Chinese A.A. (Sookunpo), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Perks.

## Third Division

Kumaon R. v. Liga (Chatham Road), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, P. K. Jones.

Recreio v. Kwong Wah (King's Park), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Dredge.

Seaforths v. R.A.F. (Military Happy Valley), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Aldridge.

R.A. v. R.A.O.C. (St. Joseph's Happy Valley), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Savage.

## SUNDAY

## Lai Wah Cup

Army v. Civilian (Kowloon F.C.), 4.15 p.m.; Referee, Randall; Linesmen, Payne and Martin.

## First Division

South China "A" v. Eastern (Caroline Hill), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Chapman; Linesmen, Cagford and Salter.

## Second Division

Royal Navy v. R.A. "L" (Causeway Bay), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Cossens.

Kowloon Chinese v. R. W. Rifles (Club), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Searles.

## Third Division

Police "C" v. St. Joseph's (Kowloon), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Higham.

Police "E" v. R.A.M.C. (Kowloon), 4.45 p.m.; Referee, Philips.

R.A.S. v. R.W. Fusiliers (Chatham Road), 3.15 p.m.; Referee, Darby.

## ARMY SELECTIONS

The following will represent the Army against the Civilian in the final of the Lai Wah Cup Competition on Sunday on the Kowloon F.C. ground commencing at 4.15 p.m.:

Fus. Rowlands (R.W.F.); Rfmn. Plekering (R.U.R.); Bgr. Stevens (R.U.R.); Pte. Williamson (Seaforths); Cpl. Campbell (R.U.R.); Fus. Evans (R.W.F.); Rfmn. Erwin (R.U.R.); L/Cpl. Duffield (R.A.O.C.); L/Bdr. Knight (R.A.) or Rfmn. Ferguson (R.U.R.); Fus. Talbot (R.W.F.) and Fus. Roberts (R.W.F.).  
Reserves—L/Cpl. Connor (R.U.R.); Pte. Webster (Seaforths); Fus. Kenting (R.W.F.); L/Sgt. Grindley (R.W.F.); Pte. McCusker (Seaforths); Pte. Cook (Seaforths); Pte. Adams (Seaforths); Pte. Ayres (Seaforths); Rfmn. Ferguson (Seaforths) and Rfmn. Ferguson (R.U.R.) or Cpl. Hurst (R.E.).

## RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Owing to the great increase in the entries received to-day for the individual and team events for the Prize Meeting next week, the Honorary Secretary of the Association finds that it is impossible for him to report as usual on the spot and practice shoot held yesterday afternoon. The Hon. Secretary also reminds members that the entries for the "Bisley" meeting close to-day (Thursday), other than by paying increased post entry fees.

## SIAMESE BADMINTON PLAYERS

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have no difficulty in putting into court a very respectable side, and the public should find heaps to interest in such a contest.

I am told that in Siam, the soft tapping game of finesse and delicacy of placement is preferred to the hard smashing type of play, and if this be so, there will be some vivid contrasts in style when the two teams meet. Hongkong also has its devotees to the "soft" game, though the general preference is to hit hard and to keep the game as fast as possible.

## FANLING RACE MEETING

## POINT-TO-POINT ENTRIES

The following is the programme and entries for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club's point-to-point meeting to be held at Pott's Bungalow on Saturday, April 3.

Race No. 1—3.00 p.m. Royal Welch Fusiliers Race—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Officers of the Regiment. Catchweight 140 lbs.

King's Company, Lancashire Loom, Little Beauty, Stickypast, Latitad, Cassius, Double Chance, 7 Entries.

Race No. 2—Royal Ulster Rifles Race—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Officers of the Regiment. Catchweight 108 lbs.

Cannary, Leprecaun, Merry Jester, Peter Davy, Wigan Festival Eve, Locksley Hall, Nebular Star, Public Hero, 9 Entries.

Race No. 3—The Ladies' Race—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Lady Subscribers. Catchweight 140 lbs. Winner a silver souvenir.

Dairen, Herga, Leprecaun, Mouchie, Punch, Tom Cobley, Daylight Eve, Ike, Merry Jester, Paymaster, Spot-ted Leaf, 11 Entries.

Race No. 4—The Fanling Hunt Race—For China Ponies that in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season by their owners. Winners of a Country Race at Kowloon this season barred. To be ridden by their owners. Catchweight 108 lbs. Winner a silver souvenir.

Double Chance, Estover, Leprecaun, Merry Jester, Mouchie, Ebony Idol, Jack O'Lantern, Magnolia, Mortmain, Stickypast, 10 Entries.

Race No. 5—The Royal Artillery Race—For China Ponies which in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season. Catchweight 108 lbs. A sweepstake of \$5. To be ridden by Officers of the Royal Artillery. Post Entries.

Race No. 6—The Fanling Hunt Race—For Australian Ponies that in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season. Catchweight 108 lbs.

Erutus, Beauty, Glorious Star, Juliette, Marina, Trojan, Crusader, Plummary, Kiola, Lucy Gitters, The Giraffe, Winter's Tale, 12 Entries.

## LOCAL YACHTING

## Sweepstake Race Won By Kittiwake

Yesterday's sweepstake race for mixed classes was won by Kittiwake sailed by Miss P. M. King.

The course, over a distance of 8.2 miles, was as follows:  
Channel Rocks (P), Rumsey Shoal (S), Channel Rocks (S), N. Mark on line (S), Rumsey Shoal (S), Club line.

The results were:  
Mixed Classes Started—14.55

Yacht Finished Cord. Post. Colleen ..... 10.31.58 10.31.58 0

(Mr. E. D. C. Stanton)

Joss ..... 10.33.50 10.27.41 2

(Mr. J. G. Garner-Smith)

Kittiwake ..... 10.32.59 10.26.50 1

(Miss P. M. King)

Ailsa ..... D.N.S.

Halcyon ..... 10.39.29 10.31.17 5

(Mr. R. G. E. Innes)

Namette ..... 10.40.37 10.31.03 4

(Lt.-Col. W. H. Graves R.N.)

Toynette ..... 10.44.27 10.29.25 3

(Mr. C. A. Allen)

Lola ..... D. N. F.

## AMERICA'S ALL-STAR GOLF TITLE RAID

## WILL THEY SPREAD EAGLE BRITISH 'OPEN' FIELD?

(By G. W. R. SMITH)

Now that Alfred Padgham and his fellow tourists have returned from South Africa the Open golf champion will have to get his eye in for the defence of his title at Carnoustie in June. The Carnoustie folk are busy with their preparations, getting their courses ready and making plans for what promises to be the greatest ever among Open championships.

British golf is going to be desperately tested in this event. Without being pessimistic, it would be stupid for me to minimise in any way the proposition that will be set the home defence, especially by the storm troops of American professional golf.

The American authorities will probably select a team of ten front-liners for the Ryder Cup battle at Southport and Ainsdale, and backing this team in the championship will be a number of free-hand campaigners whose list is not yet complete.

We know that Walter Hagen, whether a playing member of the United States Ryder Cup team or not, is coming back, and that to the names already published—MacDonald Smith, Tommy Armour and Joe Kirkwood—that of Bobby Cruickshank has now been added.

IN THE MONEY

Then there is always the possibility that Harry Cooper, the most brilliant performer on the current American golf front, may join the raiders.

Cooper, being English-born, is disqualified for U.S. Ryder Cup purposes, but he has been so largely "in the money" and has been so consistently leading the field that he would have a first-rate chance of success at Carnoustie.

Jimmy Thomson, the old North Berwick boy and still the world's longest hitter, is another likely candidate.

British golf has, to my mind, its biggest assignment yet. For years our problem was to get our title and prestige back; now the question is—Are we going to let them slip for a second time?

Thanks to Cotton, Perry and Padgham, in that order, we have recovered our championship pulse in the past three seasons, but though I strongly disclaim the role of a job's comforter I think a recollection of what happened in former Ryder Cup years in this country should help to stiffen the will of the home defence at Carnoustie.

The Americans can argue that three British players have won the championship in the interval, since

the last Ryder Cup contest over here, or, in other words, since the last 100 per cent. official United States challenge was put up for it.

TWO UNHAPPY YEARS

If they care to quote the records against us, they can reinforce their case, for in the two years in which the Britain v. United States professional international was played in this country the Open championship made poor reading from our point of view.

In 1929, besides finishing one, two, and three at Muirfield, when Hagen won, there were no fewer than eight Americans in the first ten. Four years ago, when Shute and Craig Wood tied at St. Andrews, there were five Americans in the first half-dozen.

Frankly, I do not think that, though they are coming over in strength this season, they will get away with that spread-eagle stuff again.

British golf generally has recovered its self-respect, and we have players like Cotton and Padgham with faith in themselves and a new thrust in Jimmy Adams, who will be afraid of none of the Americans, and who may follow up his last year's great effort at Hoylake, where he is now located and doing well, by going right through to the final reckoning.

PRO. RECORD IS 71

Carnoustie has no standard scratch score, but has a professional par and amateur par. Professional par is 72 and the record is 71, put up at the last Open championship held there in 1931.

It is held jointly by Tommy Armour, W. H. Davies, Jose Jurado, Marcos Churilo, R. A. Whitcombe, MacDonald Smith, and Archie Compston. The amateur record is the 70 scored by Hector Thomson in the British amateur championship last year.

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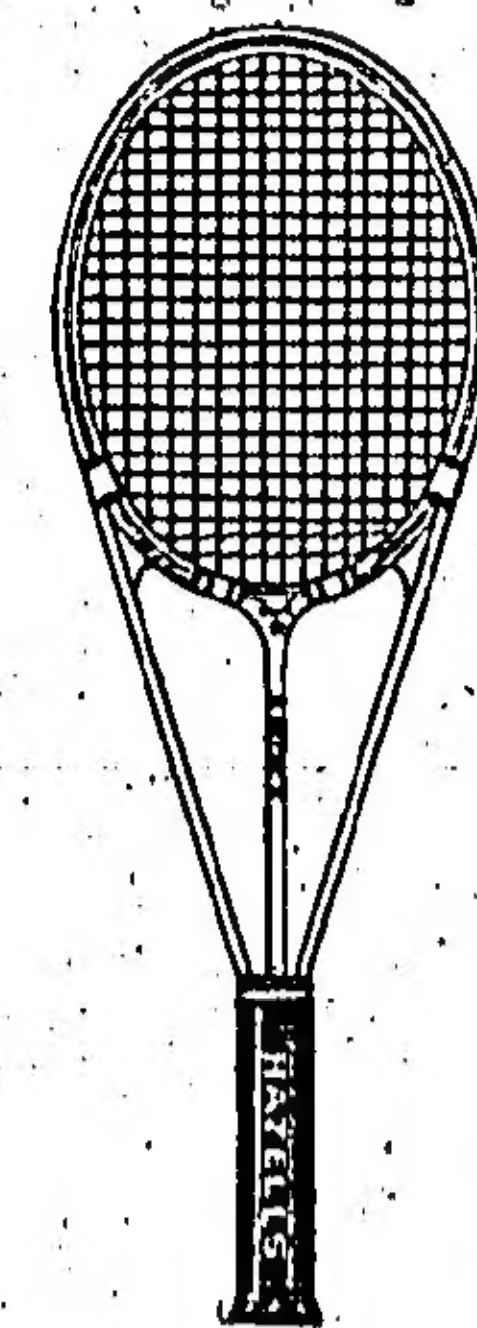
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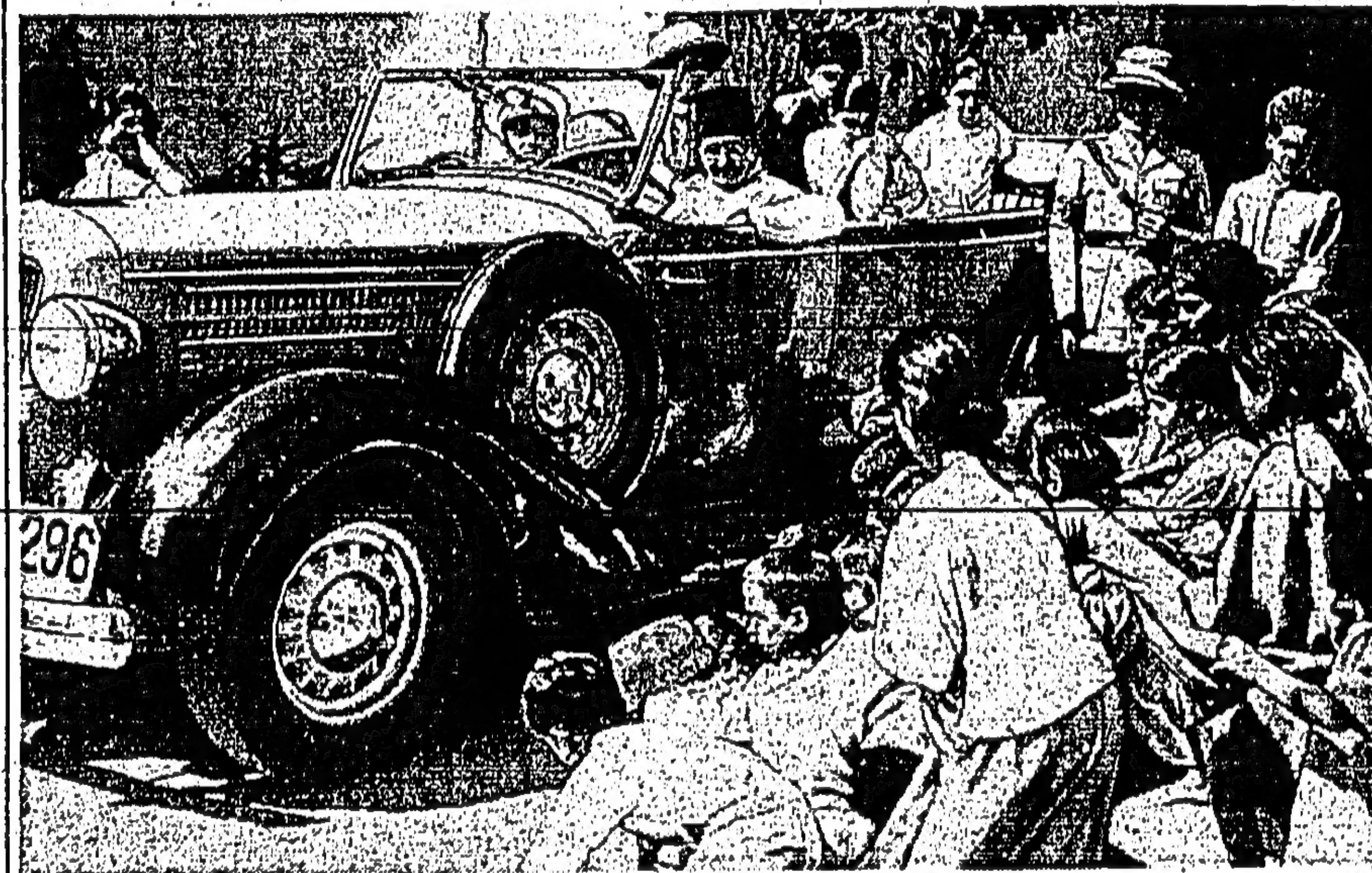
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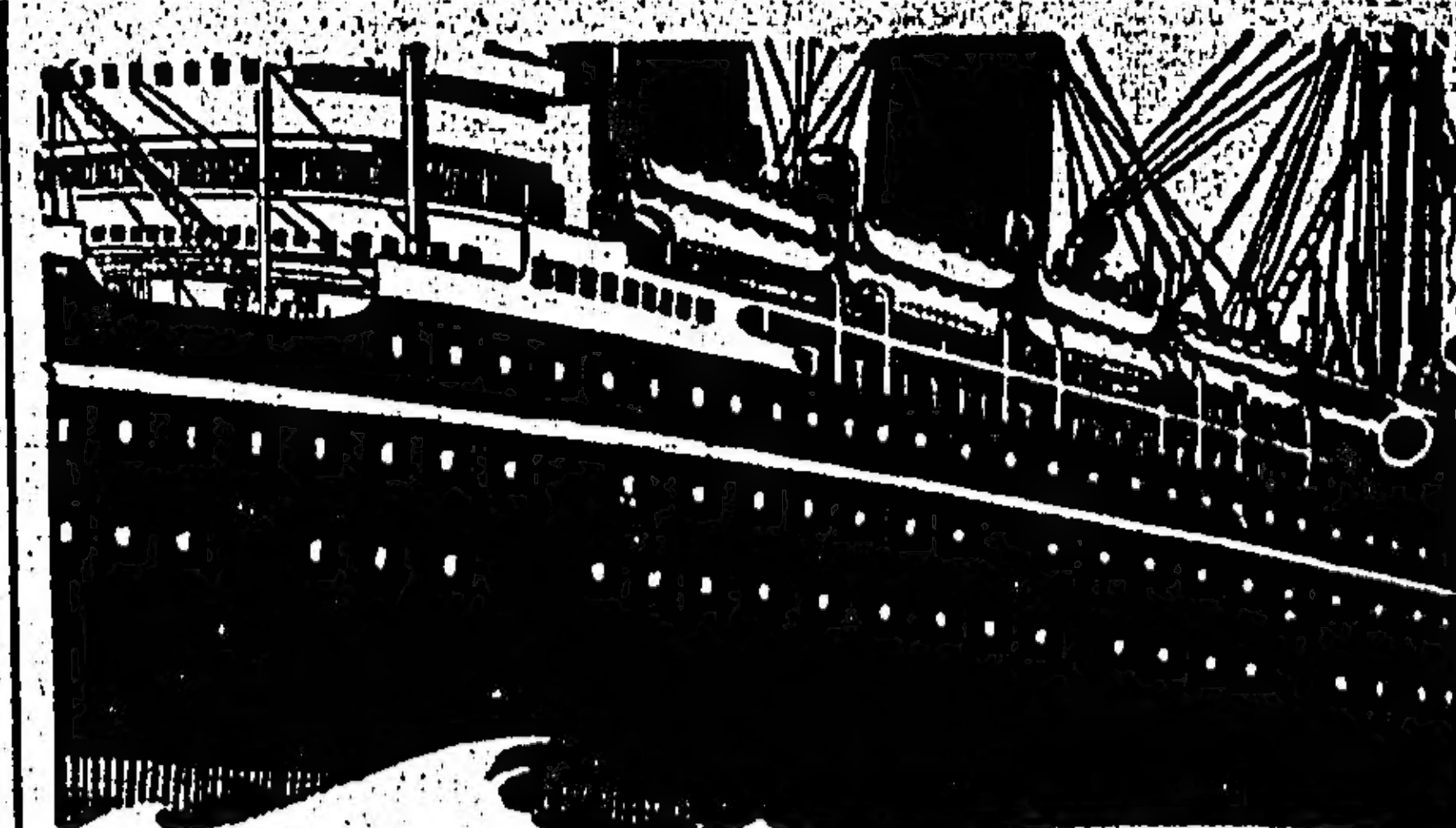
## NEWS IN PHOTOGRAPHS



A party of German schoolboys who recently arrived in London to meet an English football crew, visited Tussaud's wax works. The wax model of "Die Fuehrer" attracted the interest of the schoolboys.



Maharajah Sir Kishen Pershad, Premier of Hyderabad, renowned as a philanthropist, throwing coins to Indian children during one of his motor trips.



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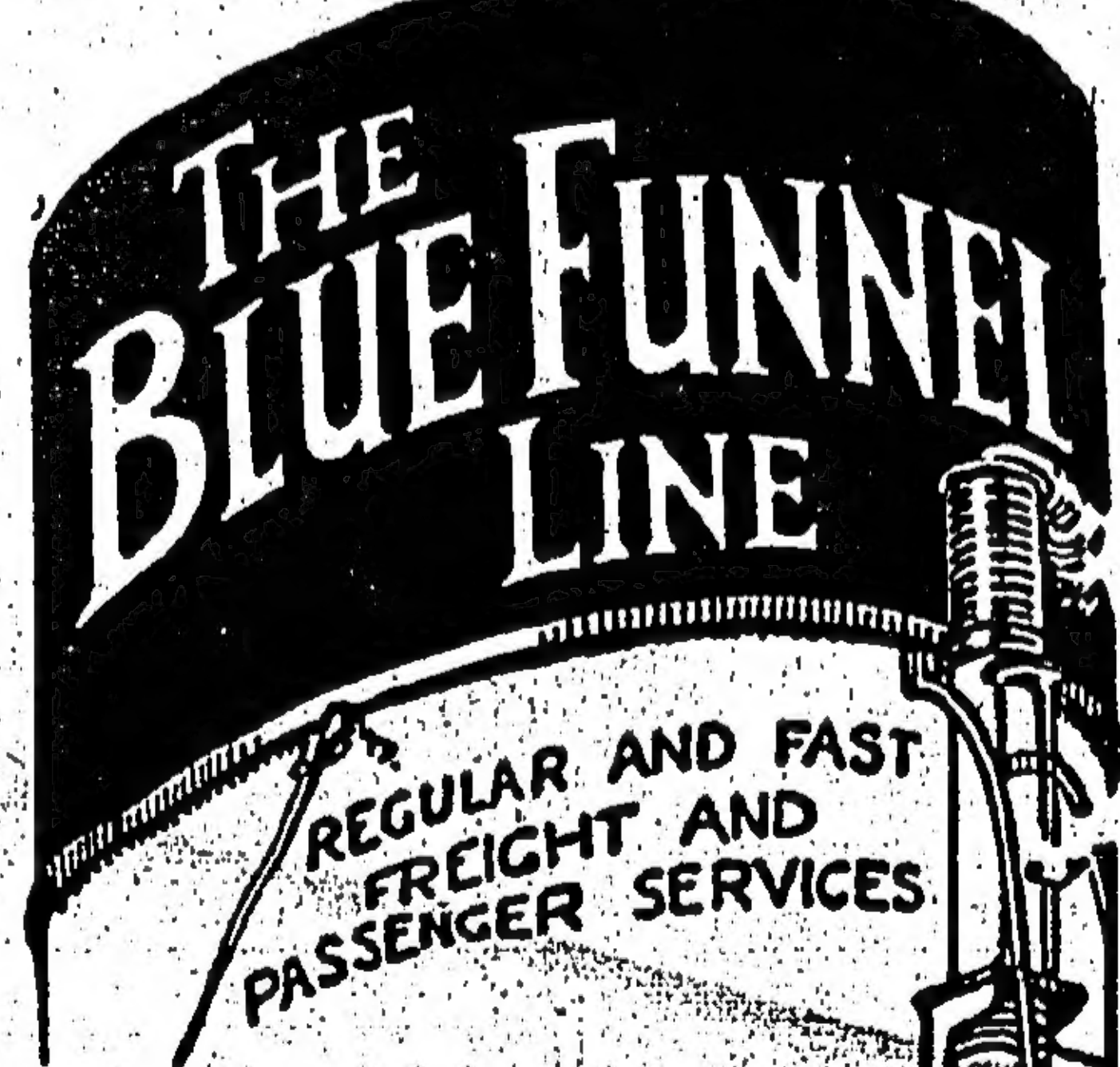
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London, Mar. 31.—A message from His Majesty the King will be delivered to his subjects in India to-morrow on the occasion of the inauguration of provincial autonomy.  
His Majesty will assure his Indian Empire that his thoughts and good wishes are with his people there on this occasion.  
"A new chapter is opening," he will say, "and it is my fervent hope and prayer that the opportunities now available to the country will be used wisely for the lasting benefit of all my Indian people."—Reuter.

#### KING'S MESSAGE

London, Apr. 1.—To-day is the appointed day under the Government of India Act for the inauguration of autonomy in eleven provinces of British India and the separation of Burma from India.  
On this occasion, the King has addressed messages both to India and Burma, in which His Majesty assures his subjects in those two countries of his interest in and good wishes for their continued welfare and prosperity.  
The King has also appointed as Governor of Burma, Sir Archibald Cochrane, K.C.M.G.  
Provincial autonomy henceforth obtains over two-thirds of the total area of India and affects directly a total population of over 280,000,000. It involves the setting up of a Ministry in each of the eleven provinces responsible to the elected Legislature for a large and clearly defined sphere of Government in which the Central Government will have no say. Each provincial Governor must follow the advice of his Ministers except in a small number of matters and in circumstances specially defined in the Act.

#### VICEROY'S GIFT

On the inauguration of the new Constitution in Burma, the Viceroy of India, Lord Linlithgow, has presented a silver mace to the Senate in Burma as marking its separation from India and as a token of his confident hope that "in the years to come Burma may have cause for thankfulness that the direction of her public affairs is founded on a Parliamentary system of government."  
Another effect of the constitutional changes in India is the ending, after nearly a hundred years, of the connection of Aden with the British Indian administration. Aden now becomes part of the Colonial Empire, but, as the King states in a message sent to the Governor and Commander-in-Chief on the inauguration of the new system of commerce and personal association with India will remain.—British Wireless.

## FRIENDLY GESTURE BY BERLIN

First Nazi Soldier To  
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Berlin, Mar. 31.—It is officially considered that the nomination of Field Marshal von Blomberg to represent Herr Hitler at the Coronation of King George VI is a choice which will be regarded by Britain as a special sign of the friendly attitude of Germany towards the British Empire.

A German paper says Germany will be represented by her first soldier, after the Leader, because that is in accordance with her character as a strong world power, but also because she wants to answer all those doubts about the pacific intentions of German policy which have been introduced among the British people by enemies of Germany.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

## Chief Engineer To British Army In China Named

London, Mar. 31.—Colonel G. C. Govland has been appointed Chief Engineer to the British Troops in China. He will assume his appointment shortly.—Reuter.

#### DANISH CLUB OPENING

London, Mar. 31.—The Danish Prime Minister is expected in London next Tuesday for the opening of the reconstructed premises of the Danish Club in London. He will lunch with the Foreign Secretary on the following day.—British Wireless.

## BLACK ITALIAN TROOPS MARCH INTO MOROCCO

### Reported Garrisoning Spanish Towns

### FRANCE INDIGNANT AT HALTING OF VESSEL

Casablanca, Mar. 31.

It is reported that hundreds of knife-carrying Italian black colonial troops, believed to be Somalilanders, have arrived in Spanish Morocco, wearing Italian uniforms and led by Italian officers. They are at present garrisoned at Bantaza and other towns.

It is also believed that Italian technical experts, aviators and engineers have replaced the Germans in Spanish Morocco, the latter being transferred, without explanation, to Malaga and Algeciras.—United Press.

#### ITALIAN ATTITUDE

Rome, Mar. 31.—Italy's attitude with regard to non-intervention in Spain was defined by Signor Dino Alfieri, Minister of Press Propaganda, to-day. He informed the foreign press that since the ban on the despatch of volunteers had been in force, Italy had vigorously defended its provisions.

He argued, therefore, that the statement that more Italian troops would be sent to Spain was unfounded.  
Signor Alfieri emphasised that decisions reached by the London Non-Intervention Committee must be applicable on an equal basis. If other countries violated their pledge, and sent volunteers to Spain, then Italy would have to re-examine the situation.  
The Minister pointed out that the reports of a big Italian defeat in Spain were exaggerated. The Italian losses in killed, wounded and prisoners on the Guadalajara front amounted only to a few hundred men.

#### FRANCE INDIGNANT

Bayonne, Mar. 31.—The French freighter Cap Faton has arrived here with a cargo of 2,000 tons of Algerian cereals and wine, and a story.  
Her master reports that insurgents halted his vessel on Tuesday, when she was 15 miles off Santander, despite the fact that the steamer was flying the tri-colour of France.  
He said the insurgent patrol permitted him to continue after he had protested. But the incident has excited high indignation among regional marine authorities.—United Press.

#### FRANCE SENDS WARNING

Paris, Mar. 31.—M. Yvon Delbos, the French Foreign Minister, has informed the Council of Ministers that strict

instructions have been given to French shipping, and that the French Government, like the British, has seriously warned both parties in the Spanish civil war to abstain from all measures contrary to maritime law.  
He added that negotiations would shortly be resumed aiming at an agreement to recall all volunteers from Spain, and said that a satisfactory solution might be hoped for, as certain powers which had previously been reluctant to discuss the question were now conciliatory.—Reuter.

#### POSTING OBSERVERS

London, Mar. 31.—The Board of Administration for the control scheme under the Non-Intervention Agreement, which has been meeting during Easter, held a further meeting to-day. The Board is engaged upon technical work, such as posting of observers at different ports and roadsteads for sea observation, and along frontiers for land observation.

It is expected the scheme will come into full operation towards the end of next week.—British Wireless.

## INDIA RAISES SILK DUTY

New Delhi, Mar. 31.

The import duty on artificial silk fabrics and art silk mixture fabrics has been increased by approximately one anna a square yard from to-morrow.  
Goods of British manufacture in all cases are excluded from the increased duties.—Reuter.

## YOUNG WOMAN ATTEMPTS TO CUT OFF OWN HEAD

A well dressed and good looking young Chinese girl chose decapitation as the method in an attempt to commit suicide during the early hours of this morning.

She has since been identified as Wong Yuet-ye, aged 17. Her condition is serious and she is not expected to live.

A razor blade was used as the instrument. The girl made repeated slashes at her neck with the instrument, miraculously missing the jugular vein, and as miraculously continuing to slash even after she appeared to lose consciousness. The blade had to be forcibly taken away from her.

When she was taken to the Government Civil Hospital her neck was terribly mutilated.  
Neighbours state that the girl has been depressed for several weeks and occasionally mentioned the possibility of decapitation as a means of committing suicide.  
She has been suffering from violent headaches and periods of aberration, and it was probably during one of these that she made the terrible attempt on her own life.

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## Two Held In Payroll Robbery Case

There was a sequel at the Central Magistracy this morning to the robbery which occurred in Barker Road on Tuesday morning, in which a clerk from Victoria Hospital and an

Indian guard accompanying him were attacked and relieved of banknotes valued at over \$1,000, being the payroll for the Hospital staff.  
Subsequent to the robbery, three men were detained, and two of them, both rickshaw coolies, were charged before Mr. Schofield this morning with participating in the attack. The accused were Li Tan-chuk, alias Li Kam, and The Tam-loi.  
Sub-Inspector L. R. Whant appeared to prosecute, and applied for a 48 hours' remand, which was granted.

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